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PREFACE

THE fact that it has been used during more than fifty years by a very large number of English priests, is the best testimony to the value of this little book. The compilers and revisers have always claimed that their work has been mainly that of selection and translation, and in this last revision what I have aimed at has been to facilitate the use of the book by simpler arrangement, and in some respects to add to it by recourse to the same sources as have been drawn on before.

I have added to the Latin hymns, and arranged them for use at the great commemorations of the year, as was done in the old *Manual* often revised by Bishop Challoner.* As the hymns are meant for devotion and not critical study, they are for the most part printed as in the Roman Breviary. The accurate text of the ancient hymns may be found in *The Oxford Book of Mediaeval Latin Verse* by Mr. Stephen Gaselee, or *Early Latin Hymns* by the late Mr. A. S. Walpole.

I am very grateful to the friends who have helped me, especially to Father Wrathall, C.R., in respect of the revision of the services for the lesser Hours.

None of the original collects from *The Prayer Book as Proposed in* 1928 are included, as permission to reprint them was refused.

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* Burton, *Life and Times of Bishop Challoner*, vol. I, p. 128.

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* These Forms, which are also printed on p. 331, are repeated at the end of the book in order that they may be easily found in case of emergency.

SECTION I

Divine Service for the Lesser Hours of the Day

TABLES AND RULES

FOR THE MOVEABLE AND IMMOVEABLE FEASTS: TOGETHER WITH THE DAYS OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE, THROUGH THE WHOLE YEAR.

RULES to know when the Moveable Feasts and Holy-days begin.

EASTER DAY (on which the rest depend) is always the first *Sunday* after the full moon which happens upon, or next after, the twenty-first day of *March*; and if the full moon happens upon a *Sunday*, *Easter Day* is the *Sunday* after.

Advent Sunday is always the nearest *Sunday* to the feast of *Saint Andrew*, whether before or after.

Septuagesima *Sexagesima* *Quinquagesima* *Quadragesima*	*Sunday* is	Nine Eight Seven Six	weeks before *Easter.*
Rogation Sunday *Ascension Day* *Whitsunday* *Trinity Sunday*	is	Five weeks Forty days Seven weeks Eight weeks	after *Easter.*

A TABLE of all the Feasts that are to be observed in the Church of *England* throughout the Year.

All Sundays in the year.

The Days of the Feasts of

The Circumcision of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.
The Epiphany.—The Conversion of *St. Paul.*
The Purification of the Blessed Virgin.
St. Matthias the Apostle.
The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
St. Mark the Evangelist.
St. Philip and *St. James* the Apostles.
The Ascension of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.
St. Barnabas.—The Nativity of *St. John* Baptist.
St. Peter the Apostle.
St. James the Apostle.
St. Bartholomew the Apostle.
St. Matthew the Apostle.
St. Michael and all Angels.
St. Luke the Evangelist.
St. Simon and *St. Jude* the Apostles.
All Saints.—*St. Andrew* the Apostle.
St. Thomas the Apostle.—The Nativity of our Lord.
St. Stephen the Martyr.—*St. John* the Evangelist.
The Holy Innocents.

Monday and *Tuesday* in *Easter-week.*
Monday and *Tuesday* in *Whitsun-week.*

A TABLE

OF THE

VIGILS, FASTS, AND DAYS OF ABSTINENCE

TO BE OBSERVED IN THE YEAR

The Evens or Vigils before

The Nativity of our Lord.
The Purification of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*.
The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
Easter Day.
Ascension Day.
Pentecost.
St. Matthias.
St. John Baptist.
St. Peter.
St. James.
St. Bartholomew.
St. Matthew.
St. Simon and *St. Jude*.
St. Andrew.
St. Thomas.
All Saints.

Note, that if any of these Feast-Days fall upon a *Monday*, then the Vigil or Fast-Day shall be kept upon the *Saturday*, and not upon the *Sunday* next before it.

I. The Forty Days of Lent.

II. The Ember-Days at the Four Seasons, being the *Wednesday*, *Friday*, and *Saturday* after ..... { The First *Sunday* in Lent. / The Feast of *Pentecost*. / *September* 14. / *December* 13.

III. The Three *Rogation-Days*, being the *Monday*, *Tuesday*, and *Wednesday* before *Holy Thursday*, or the *Ascension* of our Lord.

IV. All the *Fridays* in the Year except Christmas Day.

THE OCCURRENCE OF HOLY DAYS

A TABLE TO REGULATE THE SERVICE WHEN TWO FEASTS OR HOLY DAYS FALL UPON THE SAME DAY

(As approved by the Convocation of Canterbury, February, 1919.)

When two Feasts or Holy days fall upon the same day, then shall be said the whole Service proper to the day named in the left-hand column of the following Table; and the Service for the day in the right-hand column shall either be transferred as therein directed or be altogether pretermitted for that year.

First Sunday in Advent.	St. Andrew, transferred to Monday.
Fourth Sunday in Advent.	St. Thomas, transferred to Monday.
St. Stephen, St. John Evangelist, Innocents' Day, Circumcision.	First Sunday after Christmas.
Epiphany.	Second Sunday after Christmas.
*Conversion of St. Paul.	Third Sunday after Epiphany.
*Purification of St. Mary the Virgin.	Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, Septuagesima, Sexagesima, Quinquagesima.
Septuagesima and Sexagesima.	Conversion of St. Paul, transferred to Monday.
Sexagesima, Quinquagesima, Ash Wednesday, Sundays in Lent.	St. Matthias, transferred to next day.
Third, fourth, and fifth Sundays in Lent.	Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, transferred to Monday following.
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday next before Easter, Good Friday, Easter Eve, Easter Day, Easter Monday and Tuesday.	Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, transferred to *Tuesday* after first Sunday after Easter.
Easter Day and seven days after.	St. Mark, St. Philip and St. James, transferred to *Tuesday* after first Sunday after Easter.
*St. Mark, *St. Philip and St. James.	Second, third, fourth, and fifth Sundays after Easter.

* The Collect of the Sunday will follow that of the day.

THE OCCURRENCE OF HOLY DAYS (*continued*)

Ascension Day.	St. Philip and St. James, transferred to Friday.
Whitsunday to Trinity Sunday.	St. Barnabas, transferred to *Tuesday* after Trinity Sunday.
*St. Barnabas and all other Holy days till All Saints' Day inclusive.	Sundays after Trinity.

On Great Festivals no other Collect should be used except the Collect of the day.

The Vigil of a transferred Feast shall lapse.

Note.—Whenever a Holy Day falls on, or is transferred to, a Monday, Evensong on Sunday is the first Evensong of the Feast, the Collect of the Sunday being added after that of the Feast. If a Holy day falls on a Saturday, Evensong on Saturday is the second Evensong of the Feast, the Sunday Collect being added; except the Sunday be Advent Sunday, or the fifth or sixth Sunday in Lent, when Evensong on Saturday is the first Evensong of the Sunday, the Collect of the Feast being added after that of the Sunday.

When St. Matthias's Day is observed on the day after Ash Wednesday, Evensong on Wednesday is that of Ash Wednesday, the Collect of St. Matthias's Day being added after that of Ash Wednesday.

When May 1 is the Vigil of Ascension Day, Evensong on Wednesday is the first Evensong of the Ascension.

When St. Philip and St. James's Day is observed on the day after Ascension Day, Evensong on Thursday will be that of the Ascension.

* The Collect of the Sunday will follow that of the day.

NOTE.—That at Terce, Sext, and None one collect, and no more, shall be said, viz. the collect of the day, whether in Advent and Lent, or at other times. Special memorials, such as is the saying of the Ash Wednesday collect daily during Lent, are made at Mattins and Evensong ; but they are not said at the other Hours.

JANUARY

1	A	**Circumcision of our Lord.**
2	b	
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6	f	**Epiphany of our Lord.**
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8	A	Lucian, P. and M. (290).
9	b	
10	c	
11	d	
12	e	
13	f	Octave of Epiphany. Hilary, Bp. of Poitiers and C. (368).
14	g	
15	A	
16	b	
17	c	Antony, Abbot (356).
18	d	Prisca, V. and M. (270).
19	e	Wulfstan, Bp. of Worcester and C. (1095).
20	f	Fabian, Pope of Rome, and Sebastian, MM.
21	g	Agnes, V. and M. (304).
22	A	Vincent, Deacon and M. (304).
23	b	
24	c	
25	d	**Conversion of St. Paul.**
26	e	Polycarp, Bp. of Smyrna and M. (155).
27	f	John Chrysostom, Bp. of Constantinople, C. and D. (407).
28	g	
29	A	
30	b	King Charles, M. (1649).
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FEBRUARY

1	d	Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch and M. (110). Fast.
2	e	**Purification of Mary, the Blessed Virgin.**
3	f	Blasius, Armenian Bp. and M. (316). Anskar of Sweden, Bp. and C. (864).
4	g	Gilbert of Sempringham, Abbot (1189).
5	A	Agatha, Sicilian V. and M. (251).
6	b	
7	c	
8	d	
9	e	Cyril of Alexandria, Bp., C. and D. (444).
10	f	Scholastica, V. (543).
11	g	
12	A	
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14	c	Valentine, Bp. and M. (270).
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23	e	Fast.
24	f	**Matthias, Ap. and M.**
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1	d	David, Bp. of Menevia and C. (544).
2	e	Chad, Bp. of Lichfield and C. (672).
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5	A	
6	b	
7	c	Perpetua and her Companions, Carthaginian Martyrs (203).
8	d	Thomas of Aquin, C. and D. (1274).
9	e	Gregory, Bp. of Nyssa, C. and D. (395).
10	f	The Forty Martyrs of Sebaste (320).
11	g	
12	A	Gregory, Pope of Rome, C. and D. (604).
13	b	
14	c	
15	d	
16	e	
17	f	Patrick, Bp. and C. (493).
18	g	Edward, K. of W. Saxons and M. (979). Cyril, Bp. of Jerusalem, C. and D. (386).
19	A	Joseph, Spouse of B.V.M.
20	b	Cuthbert, Bp. of Durham and C. (687).
21	c	Benedict, Abbot (543).
22	d	
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24	f	Fast.
25	g	**Annunciation of our Lady.**
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1	g	Gilbert, Bp. of Caithness and C. (1240).
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3	b	Richard, Bp. of Chichester and C. (1253).
4	c	Ambrose, Bp. of Milan, C. and D. (397).
5	d	
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9	A	
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11	c	Leo, Pope of Rome, C. and D. (461).
12	d	
13	e	
14	f	Justin, M. (167).
15	g	
16	A	
17	b	
18	c	
19	d	Alphege, Abp. of Canterbury and M. (1012).
20	e	
21	f	Anselm, Abp. of Canterbury, C. and D. (1109).
22	g	
23	A	George, M. (303).
24	b	
25	c	Mark, Ev. and M.
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30	A	Catharine of Siena, V. (1380).

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1	b	Philip and James, AA. and MM.
2	c	Athanasius, Bp. of Alexandria, C. and D. (373).
3	d	Invention of the Cross (326).
4	e	Monica, Matron (387).
5	f	
6	g	St. John Evan. ante portam Latinam.
7	A	
8	b	
9	c	Gregory Nazianzen, Bp. of Constantinople, C. and D. (390).
10	d	
11	e	
12	f	Pancras, M.
13	g	
14	A	Pachomius, Abbot (346).
15	b	
16	c	
17	d	
18	e	
19	f	Dunstan, Abp. of Canterbury and C. (988).
20	g	
21	A	
22	b	
23	c	
24	d	
25	e	Aldhelm, Bp. of Sherborne and C. (709).
26	f	Augustine, first Abp. of Canterbury and C. (605).
27	g	Venerable Bede, P., C. and D. (735).
28	A	
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30	c	Joan of Arc, V. (1431).
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1	e	Nicomede, P. and M.
2	f	Pothinus, Bp. and M., and his Companions, the Martyrs of Lyons (177).
3	g	
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5	b	Boniface, Bp. of Mainz, M. (755).
6	c	
7	d	
8	e	
9	f	Columba, Abbot (597).
10	g	Margaret of Scotland, Matron (1093).
11	A	**Barnabas, Ap. and M.**
12	b	
13	c	
14	d	Basil, Bp. of Caesarea, C. and D (379).
15	e	
16	f	
17	g	
18	A	
19	b	Gervasius and Protasius, MM.
20	c	Trans. of Edward, K. of W. Saxons M.
21	d	
22	e	Alban, Protomartyr of Britain (304).
23	f	Fast.
24	g	**Nativity of St. John Baptist.**
25	A	
26	b	
27	c	
28	d	Irenaeus, Bp. of Lyons and M. (202 Fast.
29	e	**Peter, Ap. and M.**
30	f	Commemoration of St. Paul.

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2	A	Visitation of the B.V. Mary.
3	b	William, Abp. of York (1154).
4	c	Translation of Martin, Bp. and C.
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6	e	
7	f	Translation of Thomas, Abp. of Canterbury and M. (1220).
8	g	
9	A	
10	b	
11	c	Translation of Benedict, Abbot.
12	d	
13	e	
14	f	
15	g	Translation of Swithun, Bp. of Winchester (971).
16	A	
17	b	
18	c	
19	d	Vincent de Paul, P. and C. (1660).
20	e	Margaret, V. and M. at Antioch.
21	f	
22	g	**Mary Magdalene.**
23	A	
24	b	Fast.
25	c	**James, Ap. and M.**
26	d	Anne, Mother of the B.V. Mary.
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1	c	Lammas Day. St. Peter's Chains.
2	d	
3	e	
4	f	Dominic, P. and C. (1221).
5	g	Oswald, K. of Northumbria and M. (642).
6	A	**Transfiguration of our Lord.**
7	b	Name of Jesus.
8	c	
9	d	
10	e	Laurence, Archd. of Rome and M. (258).
11	f	
12	g	
13	A	
14	b	
15	c	**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**
16	d	
17	e	
18	f	
19	g	
20	A	Bernard, Abbot, C. and D. (1153).
21	b	
22	c	
23	d	Fast.
24	e	**Bartholomew, Ap. and M.**
25	f	
26	g	
27	A	
28	b	Augustine, Bp. of Hippo, C. and D. (430).
29	c	Beheading of St. John Baptist.
30	d	
31	e	Aidan, Bp. of Lindisfarne and C. (651).

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SEPTEMBER

1	f	Giles, Abbot and C. (720).
2	g	
3	A	
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7	e	Evurtius, Bp. of Orleans and C. (340).
8	f	Nativity of the B. V. Mary.
9	g	
10	A	
11	b	
12	c	
13	d	Cyprian, Bp. of Carthage and M. (258).
14	e	Holy Cross Day.
15	f	
16	g	Ninian, Bp. of Whithern and C. (432).
17	A	Lambert, Bp. of Maestricht and M. (709).
18	b	
19	c	Theodore, Abp. of Canterbury and C. (690).
20	d	Fast.
21	e	**Matthew, Ap., Ev., and M.**
22	f	
23	g	Thecla, V. and M. (1st Cent.).
24	A	
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29	f	**St. Michael and All Angels.**
30	g	Jerome, P., C., and D. (420).

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1	A	Remigius, Bp. of Rheims and C. (533).
2	b	The Holy Guardian Angels.
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4	d	Francis of Assisi, C. (1226).
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6	f	Faith, V. and M. (304). Bruno, Abbot of Grande Chartreuse (1101).
7	g	
8	A	
9	b	Denys, Bp., and his Companions, MM. (273).
10	c	Paulinus, Bp. of York and C. (644).
11	d	Philip, Deacon and C.
12	e	Wilfrid, Bp. of York and C. (709).
13	f	Translation of K. Edward Conf. (1163).
14	g	
15	A	Teresa, V. (1582).
16	b	
17	c	Etheldreda, V. (679).
18	d	**Luke, Ev.**
19	e	Frideswide, V.
20	f	
21	g	Hilarion, Abbot in Palestine (371). Ursula and her Companions, VV. and MM.
22	A	
23	b	
24	c	
25	d	Crispin and Crispinian, MM. (285).
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27	f	Fast.
28	g	**Simon and Jude, AA. and MM.**
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1	d	**All Saints' Day.**
2	e	Commemoration of All Souls.
3	f	Winifred, V.
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6	b	Leonard, Abbot (559).
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8	d	Octave of All Saints.
9	e	
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11	g	Martin, Bp. of Tours and C. (397).
12	A	
13	b	Britius, Bp. of Tours and C. (443).
14	c	
15	d	Machutus, Bp. of Alet and C. (565).
16	e	Edmund, Abp. of Canterbury and C. (1240).
17	f	Hugh, Bp. of Lincoln and C. (1200).
18	g	Hilda, V. (680).
19	A	Elizabeth of Hungary, Matron (1231).
20	b	Edmund, K. and M. (870).
21	c	
22	d	Cecilia, V. and M.
23	e	Clement, Pope of Rome and M. (100).
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25	g	Catharine of Alexandria, V. and M.
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29	d	Fast.
30	e	**Andrew, Ap. and M.**

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4	b	Clement of Alexandria, C. and D. (210)
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6	d	Nicolas, Bp. of Myra, in Lycia, and C.
7	e	
8	f	Conception of the B.V. Mary.
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10	A	
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12	c	
13	d	Lucy, V. and M. (304).
14	e	
15	f	
16	g	*O Sapientia.*
17	A	
18	b	
19	c	
20	d	Fast.
21	e	**Thomas, Ap. and M.**
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24	A	Fast.
25	b	**Christmas Day.**
26	c	**Stephen, the first Martyr.**
27	d	**John, Ap. and Ev.**
28	e	**Innocents' Day.**
29	f	Thomas, Abp. of Canterbury and M. (1170).
30	g	
31	A	Silvester, Pope of Rome and C. (335).

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OF READING THE SERVICE

IT is customary to say the Invocation, the Lord's Prayer, and the Hail Mary silently before each office. At *O God, make speed to save us*, the sign of the cross is made. The Alleluia (or its substitute) is to be said by all together. The officiant says the first few words of the antiphon before the psalms, but omits them if they are the opening words of the first psalm ; and the psalms are then said antiphonally verse by verse, the officiant saying the first half of the first verse alone. They should be said slowly, with a definite pause at the colon. After the psalms the *antiphon* is said by all together.

¶ The **R.** after the chapters is printed in an abbreviated form : thus, that for Terce on ferias in Advent (p. 95) is printed and said respectively as follows :

R. Come and save us : O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole ;

℟. O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Come and save . . .

℟. (*to Chapter*). Thanks be to God.

R. *Officiant.* Come and save us : O Lord God of hosts.

People. Come and save us : O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole ;

℟. O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. Come and save us : O Lord God of hosts.

The **R.** should thus be said wherever it occurs, except on the Sundays in Septuagesima and throughout Lent, when in the first ℟. the officiant says the first few words, and the congregation take up the rest.

¶ The suffrages at Prime and Compline on ferias are said kneeling except in Christmas and Easter tides. The officiant stands for the ℣. The Lord be with you . . ., before the collect.

The ordinary full ending of collects is : ' through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the (same) Holy Ghost, ever one God world without end.' The word ' same ' is inserted if the Holy Ghost has been previously mentioned in the collect. The collect of the day takes the full ending at all the Hours.

ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF CONFESSION

WE confess to God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

If a priest be present, let him add:

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance and amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Or this:

I CONFESS to God, to blessed Mary, to all the saints, and to you that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, by my own fault. Wherefore I pray holy Mary, all the saints of God, and you to pray for me.

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon you, and forgive you all your sins, deliver you from all evil, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life. Amen.

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance and amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PATER noster, qui es in caelis, sanctificetur nomen tuum, adveniat regnum tuum, fiat voluntas tua, sicut in caelo, et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie ; et dimitte nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris ; et ne nos inducas in tentationem, sed libera nos a malo. Amen.

AVE Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum, benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui Iesus. Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

CREDO in Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, Creatorem caeli et terrae.

Et in Iesum Christum, Filium eius unicum, Dominum nostrum, qui conceptus est de Spiritu Sancto, natus ex Maria Virgine, passus sub Pontio Pilato, crucifixus, mortuus, et sepultus ; descendit ad inferos ; tertia die resurrexit a mortuis ; ascendit ad caelos, sedet ad dexteram Dei Patris omnipotentis ; inde venturus est iudicare vivos et mortuos.

Credo in Spiritum Sanctum, sanctam Ecclesiam catholicam, sanctorum communionem, remissionem peccatorum, carnis resurrectionem, vitam aeternam. Amen.

GLORIA Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto ; sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

PRIVATE PRAYER

Before each Office

OPEN, O Lord, my lips to praise thy holy Name : cleanse also my heart from vain, evil, and wandering thoughts ; enlighten my understanding, and kindle my affection, that I may worthily, attentively, and devoutly say this office, and may be meet to be heard before the presence of thy Divine Majesty ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O LORD, in union with that divine intention wherewith thou, whilst here on earth, didst thyself praise God, I offer this Hour to thee.

The Psalter

PRIME

After the customary prayers have been said silently, let the Officiant say,

℣. O God, make speed to save us ;

℟. O Lord, make haste to help us.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Alleluia.

But from Septuagesima to Wednesday in Holy Week (inclusive), instead of Alleluia *is said,*

O King of endless glory,
Praise be to thee for evermore.

The following hymn is said daily through the year, save from Maundy Thursday to Low Sunday, when all the hymns are omitted in the Hours.

HYMN

Jam lucis orto sidere.

NOW that the daylight fills the sky,
We lift our hearts to God on high,
That he, in all we do or say,
Would keep us free from harm to-day ;

Would guard our hearts and tongues from strife,
From anger's din would hide our life ;
From all ill sights would turn our eyes ;
Would close our ears from vanities ;

Would keep our inmost conscience pure ;
Our souls from folly would secure ;
Would bid us check the pride of sense
With due and holy abstinence.

So we, when this new day is gone,
And night in turn is drawing on,

With conscience by the world unstained,
Shall praise his Name for victory gained.

Ordinary Doxology :

All laud to God the Father be ;
All praise, eternal Son, to thee ;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete.
Amen.

For Latin hymns at Prime and Hours, see p. 288.

Then let the Officiant begin the Antiphon.

On Ordinary Sundays:

* With my whole heart.

On Ferial Days :

Blessed are those.

Psalm liv

Deus, in nomine.

SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake : and avenge me in thy strength.

2 Hear my prayer, O God : and hearken unto the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen up against me : and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

4 Behold, God is my helper : the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies : destroy thou them in thy truth.

6 An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord because it is so comfortable.

7 For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Here may be added on Sunday Psalm cxviii (or in Septuagesima and Lent, Psalm xciii) ; Monday Psalm xxiv ; Tuesday, Psalm xxv ; Wednesday, Psalm xxvi ; Thursday, Psalm xxiii ; and on Friday, Psalm xxii (p. 47).

Psalm cxix

Beati immaculati.

BLESSED are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

2 Blessed are they that keep his testimonies : and seek him with their whole heart.

3 For they who do no wickedness : walk in his ways.

* The antiphons are changed according to the season.

4 Thou hast charged : that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.

5 O that my ways were made so direct : that I might keep thy statutes !

6 So shall I not be confounded : while I have respect unto all thy commandments.

7 I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart : when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness.

8 I will keep thy ceremonies : O forsake me not utterly.

9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way : even by ruling himself after thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I sought thee : O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.

11 Thy words have I hid within my heart : that I should not sin against thee.

12 Blessed art thou, O Lord : O teach me thy statutes.

13 With my lips have I been telling : of all the judgements of thy mouth.

14 I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies : as in all manner of riches.

15 I will talk of thy commandments : and have respect unto thy ways.

16 My delight shall be in thy statutes : and I will not forget thy word.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Retribue servo tuo.

O DO well unto thy servant : that I may live, and keep thy word.

18 Open thou mine eyes : that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.

19 I am a stranger upon earth : O hide not thy commandments from me.

20 My soul breaketh out for the very fervent desire : that it hath alway unto thy judgements.

21 Thou hast rebuked the proud : and cursed are they that do err from thy commandments.

22 O turn from me shame and rebuke : for I have kept thy testimonies.

23 Princes also did sit and speak against me : but thy servant is occupied in thy statutes.

24 For thy testimonies are my delight : and my counsellors.

25 My soul cleaveth to the dust : O quicken thou me, according to thy word.

26 I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me : O teach me thy statutes.

27 Make me to understand the way of thy commandments : and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

28 My soul melteth away for very heaviness : comfort thou me according unto thy word.

29 Take from me the way of lying : and cause thou me to make much of thy law.

30 I have chosen the way of truth : and thy judgements have I laid before me.

31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies : O Lord, confound me not.

32 I will run the way of thy commandments : when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

[*On Sundays and certain Feasts shall be said* Quicunque vult, *except it be said at Mattins.*

Quicunque vult.

WHOSOEVER will be saved : before all things it is necessary that he hold the Catholick Faith.

Which Faith except every one do keep whole and undefiled : without doubt he shall perish everlastingly.

And the Catholick Faith is this : That we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity ;

Neither confounding the Persons : nor dividing the Substance.

For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son : and another of the Holy Ghost.

But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all one : the Glory equal, the Majesty co-eternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son : and such is the Holy Ghost.

The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate : and the Holy Ghost uncreate.

The Father incomprehensible, the Son incomprehensible : and the Holy Ghost incomprehensible.

The Father eternal, the

Son eternal : and the Holy Ghost eternal.

And yet they are not three eternals : but one eternal.

As also there are not three incomprehensibles, nor three uncreated : but one uncreated, and one incomprehensible.

So likewise the Father is Almighty, the Son Almighty : and the Holy Ghost Almighty.

And yet they are not three Almighties : but one Almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God : and the Holy Ghost is God.

And yet they are not three Gods : but one God.

So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son Lord : and the Holy Ghost Lord.

And yet not three Lords: but one Lord.

For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity : to acknowledge every Person by himself to be God and Lord ;

So are we forbidden by the Catholick Religion : to say, There be three Gods, or three Lords.

The Father is made of none : neither created, nor begotten.

The Son is of the Father alone : not made, nor created, but begotten.

The Holy Ghost is of the Father and of the Son: neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.

So there is one Father, not three Fathers ; one Son, not three Sons : one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts.

And in this Trinity none is afore, or after other : none is greater, or less than another ;

But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together : and co-equal.

So that in all things, as is aforesaid : the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped.

He therefore that will be saved : must thus think of the Trinity.

Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation : that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the right Faith is, that we believe and confess : that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man ;

God, of the Substance of the Father, begotten

before the worlds : and Man, of the Substance of his Mother, born in the world ;

Perfect God, and perfect Man : of a reasonable soul and human flesh subsisting ;

Equal to the Father, as touching his Godhead : and inferior to the Father, as touching his Manhood.

Who although he be God and Man : yet he is not two, but one Christ ;

One ; not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh : but by taking of the Manhood into God ;

One altogether ; not by confusion of Substance : but by unity of Person.

For as the reasonable soul and flesh is one man : so God and Man is one Christ ;

Who suffered for our salvation : descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead.

He ascended into heaven, he sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty : from whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

At whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies : and shall give account for their own works.

And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting : and they that have done evil into everlasting fire.

This is the Catholick Faith : which except a man believe faithfully, he cannot be saved.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.]

Repeat the Antiphon all together.

Sunday:

Ant. With my whole heart have I sought thee, O Lord : O teach me thy statutes.

Ferial:

Ant. Blessed are those : that walk in the law of the Lord.

On Sundays and Festivals, within Octaves and on Ferias in Eastertide:

Chapter (1 *Tim.* i. 17). Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible,

the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

On ordinary Ferias (*Zech.* viii. 19, 20). Love the truth and peace, saith the Lord of hosts.

℟. Thanks be to God.

R. Jesu Christ, Son of the living God : have mercy upon us.

℟. Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon us.

℣. Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father ;

℟. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon us.

℣. O Lord, arise, help us ;

℟. And deliver us, for thy Name's sake.

Here follow the suffrages, except upon Doubles and within Octaves, when the Collect is said here, preceded by the last ℣. *and* ℟.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;

℟. But deliver us from evil.

I BELIEVE in God.

℣. The resurrection of the body ;

℟. And the life everlasting.

℣. I have cried unto thee, O Lord.

℟. And early shall my prayer come before thee.

℣. O let my mouth be filled with thy praise ;

℟. That I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

℣. Turn thy face from my sins, O Lord ;

℟. And put out all my misdeeds.

℣. Make me a clean heart, O God ;

℟. And renew a right spirit within me.

℣. Cast me not away from thy presence ;

℟. And take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

℣. O give me the comfort of thy help again ;

℟. And stablish me with thy free spirit.

The following may also be said,

℣. Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man ;

℟. And preserve me from the wicked man.

℣. Deliver me from mine enemies, O God ;

℟. Defend me from them that rise up against me.

℣. Deliver me from the wicked doers ;

℟. And save me from the bloodthirsty men.

℣. So will I alway sing praise unto thy Name ;

℟. That I may daily perform my vows.

℣. Hear us, O God of our salvation ;

℟. Thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

℣. O God, make speed to save us ;

℟. O Lord, make haste to help us.

℣. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal ;

℟. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Praise the Lord, O my soul ;

℟. And all that is within me praise his holy Name.

℣. Praise the Lord, my soul ;

℟. And forget not a his benefits.

℣. Who forgiveth a thy sin ;

℟. And healeth all thir infirmities.

℣. Who saveth thy li from destruction ;

℟. And crowneth the with mercy and lovin kindness.

℣. Who satisfieth th mouth with good things

℟. Making thee youn and lusty as an eagle.

℣. Our help is in th Name of the Lord.

℟. Who hath made hea ven and earth.

*The Confession shall b said by the principal perso present in a low voice.**

I CONFESS to God A mighty, before all th company of heaven, an you, that I have sinne exceedingly, in thought word, and deed, of m own fault ; wherefore pray God to have merc upon me.

And the others shall say,

ALMIGHTY God hav mercy upon thee, an forgive thee all thy sins

* For alternative form of Confession, see p. 34.

deliver thee from all evil, confirm and strengthen thee in all goodness, and bring thee to everlasting life. *Amen.*

Then shall they say the Confession as prescribed above.

I CONFESS to God Almighty, before all the company of heaven, and thee, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, of my own fault; wherefore I pray God to have mercy upon me.

The principal person shall reply,

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon you, and forgive you all your sins, deliver you from all evil, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life. *Amen.*

And, if a Priest, he shall add:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance and amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

℣. Vouchsafe, O Lord;
℟. To keep us this day without sin.
℣. O Lord, have mercy upon us;
℟. Have mercy upon us.
℣. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us;
℟. As our trust is in thee.
℣. Lord, hear my prayer;
℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

The Officiant stands up.

℣. The Lord be with you;
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Sundays & Festivals:

SATISFY us with thy mercy, O Lord, at the beginning of this day; that in our fulness of joy all the day long we may find a true delight in singing thy praises; through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Ferial:

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of

thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth.

℣. The Lord be with you;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord;

℟. Thanks be to God.

[PRETIOSA

After the reading of the Martyrology let the Officiant say,

℣. Right dear in the sight of the Lord;

℟. Is the death of his saints.

Collect.

MAY holy Mary and all the saints intercede for us with the Lord, that we may receive help and salvation from him who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. *Amen.*

℣. The Lord be with you;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless Lord.

℟. Thanks be to Goo

BLESSING

THE Lord bless us, a preserve us from evil, and bring us to ev lasting life; and may souls of the faithf through the mercy of G rest in peace. *Amen.*

The following may be s after Prime.

Let us pray.

O EVERLASTIN Jesus, who in t early morning didst g thyself to be reviled a scoffed at by thine e mies; Visit us, we pr thee, at this hour with t grace and mercy; that throughout the day may find peace and joy all that ministers to t praise and glory; w livest and reignest w the Father and the H Spirit, ever one God, wo without end. *Amen.*

PSALMS FOR PRIME

FOR THE DAYS OF THE WEEK

Ordinary Sundays

PSALM CXVIII

Confitemini Domino.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : because his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let Israel now confess, that he is gracious : and that his mercy endureth for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now confess : that his mercy endureth for ever.

4 Yea, let them now that fear the Lord confess: that his mercy endureth for ever.

5 I called upon the Lord in trouble : and the Lord heard me at large.

6 The Lord is on my side : I will not fear what man doeth unto me.

7 The Lord taketh my part with them that help me : therefore shall I see my desire upon mine enemies.

8 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in man.

9 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in princes.

10 All nations compassed me round about : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

11 They kept me in on every side, they kept me in, I say, on every side : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

12 They came about me like bees, and are extinct even as the fire among the thorns : for in the Name of the Lord I will destroy them.

13 Thou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall : but the Lord was my help.

14 The Lord is my strength, and my song : and is become my salvation.

15 The voice of joy and

health is in the dwellings of the righteous : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

16 The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

17 I shall not die, but live : and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord hath chastened and corrected me : but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open me the gates of righteousness : that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord : the righteous shall enter into it.

21 I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me : and art become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders refused : is become the head-stone in the corner.

23 This is the Lord's doing : and it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day which the Lord hath made : we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Help me now, Lord : O Lord, send now prosperity.

26 Blessed be he th cometh in the Name of t Lord : we have wish you good luck, ye that a of the house of the Lor

27 God is the Lord w hath shewed us light : bi the sacrifice with cor yea, even unto the hor of the altar.

28 Thou art my Go and I will thank thee thou art my God, and will praise thee.

29 O give thanks un the Lord, for he is gr cious : and his mercy e dureth for ever.

Glory be to the Fathe etc.

Sundays from Septu gesima to Easter

Psalm xciii

Dominus regnavit.

THE Lord is King, a hath put on glorio apparel : the Lord ha put on his apparel, a girded himself wi strength.

2 He hath made t round world so sure : th it cannot be moved.

3 Ever since the wor

began hath thy seat been prepared : thou art from everlasting.

4 The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice : the floods lift up their waves.

5 The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly : but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure : holiness becometh thine house for ever.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Monday

PSALM XXIV

Domini est terra.

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place ?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart : and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord : and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek him : even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is the King of glory: it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is the King of glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Tuesday

PSALM XXV

Ad te, Domine, levavi.

UNTO thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul ; my God, I have put my trust in thee : O let me not be confounded,

neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

2 For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed : but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

3 Shew me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths.

4 Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me : for thou art the God of my salvation ; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

5 Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies : and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

6 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth : but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

7 Gracious and righteous is the Lord : therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

8 Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement : and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.

9 All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth: unto such as keep his covenant, and his testimonies.

10 For thy Name's sak
O Lord : be merciful un
my sin, for it is great.

11 What man is h
that feareth the Lord
him shall he teach in t
way that he shall choos

12 His soul shall dw
at ease : and his seed sh
inherit the land.

13 The secret of t
Lord is among them th
fear him : and he will she
them his covenant.

14 Mine eyes are ev
looking unto the Lord : f
he shall pluck my feet o
of the net.

15 Turn thee unto m
and have mercy upon me
for I am desolate, and
misery.

16 The sorrows of m
heart are enlarged :
bring thou me out of m
troubles.

17 Look upon my a
versity and misery : an
forgive me all my sin.

18 Consider mine en
mies, how many they are
and they bear a tyranno
hate against me.

19 O keep my soul, an
deliver me : let me not
confounded, for I have p
my trust in thee.

20 Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me : for my hope hath been in thee.

21 Deliver Israel, O God : out of all his troubles.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Wednesday

Psalm xxvi

Judica me, Domine.

BE thou my Judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently : my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fall.

2 Examine me, O Lord, and prove me : try out my reins and my heart.

3 For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes : and I will walk in thy truth.

4 I have not dwelt with vain persons : neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.

5 I have hated the congregation of the wicked : and will not sit among the ungodly.

6 I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord : and so will I go to thine altar.

7 That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving : and tell of all thy wondrous works.

8 Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house : and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

9 O shut not up my soul with the sinners : nor my life with the blood-thirsty ;

10 In whose hands is wickedness : and their right hand is full of gifts.

11 But as for me, I will walk innocently : O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.

12 My foot standeth right : I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Thursday

Psalm xxiii

Dominus regit me.

THE Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me ; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Friday

Psalm xxii

Deus, Deus meus.

MY God, my God, look upon me ; why hast thou forsaken me : and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint ?

2 O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not : and in the night-season also I take no rest.

3 And thou continuest holy : O thou worship of Israel.

4 Our fathers hoped in thee : they trusted in th and thou didst deliv them.

5 They called upon th and were holpen : th put their trust in th and were not confounde

6 But as for me, I a a worm, and no man : very scorn of men, and t outcast of the people.

7 All they that see m laugh me to scorn : th shoot out their lips, a shake their heads, sayin

8 He trusted in Go that he would deliver hi let him deliver him, if will have him.

9 But thou art he th took me out of my m ther's womb : thou wa my hope, when I hang yet upon my mothe breasts.

10 I have been left u to thee ever since I w born : thou art my G even from my mothe womb.

11 O go not from m for trouble is hard hand : and there is no to help me.

12 Many oxen are co about me : fat bulls Basan close me in every side.

13 They gape upon m

with their mouths : as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint : my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums : and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.

16 For many dogs are come about me : and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

17 They pierced my hands and my feet ; I may tell all my bones : they stand staring and looking upon me.

18 They part my garments among them : and cast lots upon my vesture.

19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord : thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword : my darling from the power of the dog.

21 Save me from the lion's mouth : thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

22 I will declare thy Name unto my brethren : in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him : magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel ;

24 For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor : he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.

25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation : my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

26 The poor shall eat, and be satisfied : they that seek after the Lord shall praise him ; your heart shall live for ever.

27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord : and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

28 For the kingdom is the Lord's : and he is the Governor among the people.

29 All such as be fat upon earth : have eaten, and worshipped.

30 All they that go

down into the dust shall kneel before him : and no man hath quickened his own soul.

31 My seed shall serve him : they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

32 They shall come, a the heavens shall decl his righteousness : unt people that shall be bo whom the Lord ha made.

Glory be to the Fath etc.

TERCE

After the customary prayers have been said silently, let the Officiant say,

℣. O God, make speed to save us ;

℟. O Lord, make haste to help us.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Alleluia.

But from Septuagesima to Wednesday in Holy Week (inclusive), instead of Alleluia *is said,*

O King of endless glory,
Praise be to thee for evermore.

The hymns at Terce, Sext, and None are said, with varying doxology, daily throughout the year, save from Maundy Thursday to Low Sunday, when all the hymns are omitted in the Hours ; but on Whitsunday and through the week *Veni Creator* is said in place of this hymn at Terce.

HYMN

Nunc Sancte, nobis, Spiritus.

COME, Holy Ghost, with God the Son,
And God the Father ever one ;
Shed forth thy grace within our breast,
And dwell with us a ready guest.

By every power, by heart and tongue,
By act and deed thy praise be sung ;
Inflame with perfect love each sense
That others' souls may kindle thence.

Ordinary Doxology :

O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ thine only Son,
Who with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Shall live and reign eternally. Amen.

Then let the Officiant begin the Antiphon.

Sunday :

Ant. Praise and unending glory.

Ferial:

Ant. Let thy loving mercies.

PSALM CXIX

Legem pone.

TEACH me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes : and I shall keep it unto the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law : yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments : for therein is my desire.

36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies : and not to covetousness.

37 O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity : and quicken thou me in thy way.

38 O stablish thy word in thy servant : that I may fear thee.

39 Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of : for thy judgements are good.

40 Behold, my delight is in thy commandments : O quicken me in thy righteousness.

41 Let thy loving mercy come also unto me, O Lord : even thy salvation according unto thy word.

42 So shall I make answer unto my blasphemers : for my trust is in thy word.

43 O take not the word of thy truth utterly out of my mouth : for my hope is in thy judgements.

44 So shall I alway keep thy law : yea, for ever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty : for I seek thy commandments.

46 I will speak of thy testimonies also, even before kings : and will not be ashamed.

47 And my delight shall be in thy commandments which I have loved.

48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved : and my study shall be in thy statutes.

Glory be to the Father etc.

Memor esto servi tui.

O THINK upon thy servant, as concerning thy word : wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.

50 The same is my comfort in my trouble : for

thy word hath quickened me.

51 The proud have had me exceedingly in derision : yet have I not shrinked from thy law.

52 For I remembered thine everlasting judgements, O Lord : and received comfort.

53 I am horribly afraid : for the ungodly that forsake thy law.

54 Thy statutes have been my songs : in the house of my pilgrimage.

55 I have thought upon thy Name, O Lord, in the night season : and have kept thy law.

56 This I had : because I kept thy commandments.

57 Thou art my portion, O Lord : I have promised to keep thy law.

58 I made my humble petition in thy presence with my whole heart : O be merciful unto me, according to thy word.

59 I called mine own ways to remembrance : and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

60 I made haste, and prolonged not the time : to keep thy commandments.

61 The congregations of the ungodly have robbed me : but I have not forgotten thy law.

62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee : because of thy righteous judgements.

63 I am a companion of all them that fear thee : and keep thy commandments.

64 The earth, O Lord, is full of thy mercy : O teach me thy statutes.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Bonitatem fecisti.

O LORD, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servant : according unto thy word.

66 O learn me true understanding and knowledge : for I have believed thy commandments.

67 Before I was troubled, I went wrong : but now have I kept thy word.

68 Thou art good and gracious : O teach me thy statutes.

69 The proud have imagined a lie against me : but I will keep thy commandments with my whole heart.

70 Their heart is as fat

as brawn : but my delight hath been in thy law.

71 It is good for me that I have been in trouble : that I may learn thy statutes.

72 The law of thy mouth is dearer unto me : than thousands of gold and silver.

73 Thy hands have made me and fashioned me : O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

74 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me : because I have put my trust in thy word.

75 I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right : and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

76 O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort : according to thy word unto thy servant.

77 O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live : for thy law is my delight.

78 Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me : but I will be occupied in thy commandments.

79 Let such as fear thee and have known thy testimonies : be turned unto me.

80 O let my heart be sound in thy statutes : that I be not ashamed.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Repeat the Antiphon all together.

Sunday :

* *Ant.* Praise and unending glory to God the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Paraclete, through ages everlasting.

Chapter (*Rom.* xi. 33). O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God ! how unsearchable are his judgements, and his ways past finding out !

℟. Thanks be to God.

R. Incline my heart, O God : unto thy testimonies ;

℟. Incline my heart, O God : unto thy testimonies.

℣. Turn away mine eyes lest they behold van-

* The Antiphons, Chapters, etc., are changed according to the season, see pp. 93, etc.

ity, and quicken thou me in thy way ;

℟. Unto thy testimonies.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. Incline my heart, O God, unto thy testimonies.

℣. I said, Lord, be merciful unto me ;

℟. Heal my soul : for I have sinned against thee.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Collect of the day.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord ;

℟. Thanks be to God.

[*Memorials, if any.*

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℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord ;

℟. Thanks be to God.]

MAY the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*

Ferial :

Ant., all together. Let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live.

Chapter (*Jer.* xvii. 14). Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed ; save me and I shall be saved, for thou art my praise.

℟. Thanks be to God.

R. Heal my soul : for I have sinned against thee ;

℟. Heal my soul : for I have sinned against thee.

℣. I said, Lord, be merciful unto me ;

℟. For I have sinned against thee.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. Heal my soul : for I have sinned against thee.

℣. Thou hast been my succour ;

℟. Leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Then shall be said the following suffrages, on ferial days, all kneeling ; but on Sundays and Festivals, and from Christmas to the octave of the Epiphany, and from Easter to Trinity these are omitted, and the Collect for the day follows here, preceded

by the last ℣. *and* ℟., *all standing.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;
℟. But deliver us from evil.
℣. Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts ;
℟. Shew the light of thy countenance and we shall be whole.
℣. O Lord, arise, help us ;
℟. And deliver us for thy Name's sake.
℣. O Lord, hear my prayer ;
℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

Then let the Officiant stand up and say,

℣. The Lord be with you ;
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Then shall be said the Collect of the day.

℣. The Lord be with you ;
℟. And with thy spirit.
℣. Let us bless the Lord ;
℟. Thanks be to God.

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MAY the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*

***Here in Lent may be said a penitential psalm, see* p. 221.**

The following may be said after Terce.

Ant. He is brought : as a lamb to the slaughter, and, as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

℣. It was the third hour ;
℟. And they crucified him.

Let us pray.

O LORD Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who at the third hour of the day wast led forth to the pain of the Cross

for the salvation of the world; We humbly beseech thee, that by the virtue of thy most sacred passion thou wouldest blot out all our sins, and mercifully bring us to the glory of thy blessedness; who livest and reignest, God, world without end. *Amen.*

Ant. I will pour out: my Spirit upon all flesh.

℣. The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts;

℟. By the Holy Ghost, which is given unto us.

Let us pray.

O GOD, Almighty Father, we humbly beseech thy Divine Majesty, that, as thou didst strengthen thine Apostles at the third hour, by the visitation of thy Holy Spirit, so thou wilt deign to enlighten and guard our hearts and bodies by his coming; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

SEXT

After the customary prayers have been said silently, let the Officiant say,

℣. O God, make speed to save us ;

℟. O Lord, make haste to help us.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Alleluia.

But from Septuagesima to Wednesday in Holy Week (inclusive), instead of Alleluia *is said,*

O King of endless glory,
Praise be to thee for evermore.

The following hymn is said daily, with varying doxology, throughout the year, save from Maundy Thursday to Low Sunday, when all the hymns are omitted in the Hours.

HYMN

Rector potens, verax Deus.

O GOD of truth, O Lord of might,
Who orderest time and change aright,
And send'st the early morning ray,
And light'st the glow of perfect day ;

Extinguish thou each sinful fire,
And banish every ill desire ;
And, while thou keep'st the body whole,
Shed forth thy peace upon the soul.

Ordinary Doxology :

O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ thine only Son,
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Shall live and reign eternally. Amen.

Then let the Officiant begin the Antiphon.

Sunday :

Ant. Glory and praise.

Ferial:

Ant. Let me not.

PSALM CXIX

Defecit anima mea.

MY soul hath longed for thy salvation : and I have a good hope because of thy word.

82 Mine eyes long sore for thy word : saying, O when wilt thou comfort me ?

83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke : yet do I not forget thy statutes.

84 How many are the days of thy servant : when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me ?

85 The proud have digged pits for me : which are not after thy law.

86 All thy commandments are true : they persecute me falsely ; O be thou my help.

87 They had almost made an end of me upon earth : but I forsook not thy commandments.

88 O quicken me after thy loving-kindness : and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

89 O Lord, thy word : endureth for ever in heaven.

90 Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another : thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

91 They continue this day according to thine ordinance : for all things serve thee.

92 If my delight had not been in thy law : I should have perished in my trouble.

93 I will never forget thy commandments : for with them thou hast quickened me.

94 I am thine, O save me : for I have sought thy commandments.

95 The ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me : but I will consider thy testimonies.

96 I see that all things come to an end : but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Quomodo dilexi !

LORD, what love have I unto thy law : all the day long is my study in it.

98 Thou through thy commandments hast made

me wiser than mine enemies : for they are ever with me.

99 I have more understanding than my teachers : for thy testimonies are my study.

100 I am wiser than the aged : because I keep thy commandments.

101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way : that I may keep thy word.

102 I have not shrunk from thy judgements : for thou teachest me.

103 O how sweet are thy words unto my throat : yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth.

104 Through thy commandments I get understanding : therefore I hate all evil ways.

105 Thy word is a lantern unto my feet : and a light unto my paths.

106 I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed : to keep thy righteous judgements.

107 I am troubled above measure : quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.

108 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord : and teach me thy judgements.

109 My soul is alway i my hand : yet do I nc forget thy law.

110 The ungodly hav laid a snare for me : bu yet I swerved not fro thy commandments.

111 Thy testimonie have I claimed as mir heritage for ever : an why ? they are the ver joy of my heart.

112 I have applied m heart to fulfil thy statute alway : even unto th end.

Glory be to the Fathe etc.

Iniquos odio habui.

I HATE them that ima gine evil things : bu thy law do I love.

114 Thou art my de fence and shield : and m trust is in thy word.

115 Away from me, y wicked : I will keep th commandments of m God.

116 O stablish me a cording to thy word, tha I may live : and let m not be disappointed of m hope.

117 Hold thou me u and I shall be safe : ye my delight shall be ev in thy statutes.

118 Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes : for they imagine but deceit.

119 Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross : therefore I love thy testimonies.

120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee : and I am afraid of thy judgements.

121 I deal with the thing that is lawful and right : O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

122 Make thou thy servant to delight in that which is good : that the proud do me no wrong.

123 Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health : and for the word of thy righteousness.

124 O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy : and teach me thy statutes.

125 I am thy servant, O grant me understanding : that I may know thy testimonies.

126 It is time for thee, Lord, to lay to thine hand: for they have destroyed thy law.

127 For I love thy commandments : above gold and precious stone.

128 Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments : and all false ways I utterly abhor.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Repeat the Antiphon all together.

Sunday:

**Ant.* Glory and praise resound from the lips of all to the Father, and to the only-begotten Son : and like praise for ever to the Holy Ghost.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* xiii. 14). The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us all evermore.

℟. Thanks be to God.

R. O Lord, thy word endureth : for ever in heaven ;

℟. O Lord, thy word endureth : for ever in heaven.

℣. Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another ;

℟. For ever in heaven.

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℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. O Lord, thy word endureth : for ever in heaven.

℣. The Lord is my shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing ;

℟. He shall feed me in a green pasture.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

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MAY the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*

Ferial :

Ant. Let me not be di appointed of my hope.

Chapter (1 *Thess.* v. 2 22). Prove all thing hold fast that which good ; abstain from appearance of evil.

℟. Thanks be to God

R. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord ;

℟. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord.

℣. His praise shall ev be in my mouth ;

℟. Thanks unto th Lord.

℣. Glory be to the F ther, and to the Son : an to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord.

℣. The Lord is my she herd, therefore can I lac nothing.

℟. He shall feed me a green pasture.

Here follow the ferial pra ers as at Terce, p. 60.

The following may be sa after Sext.

Ant. I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto me

℣. Lord, remember me

℟. When thou come into thy kingdom.

Let us pray.

O MOST gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, who, as at this hour, didst bear our sins in thine own body on the tree, that we being dead unto sin might live unto righteousness; Have mercy upon us, we beseech thee, both now and at the hour of our death; and grant unto us, thy humble servants, with all other Christian people who have this thy blessed passion in devout remembrance, a godly and peaceful life in this present world, and through thy grace eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, thou livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

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O King of endless glory,
Praise be to thee for evermore.

The following hymn is said daily, with varying doxology, throughout the year, save from Maundy Thursday to Low Sunday, when all the hymns are omitted in the Hours.

HYMN

Rerum Deus tenax vigor.

O GOD, creation's secret force,
Thyself unmoved, all motion's source,
Who, from the morn till evening's ray,
Through all its changes guid'st the day ;

Grant us, when this short life is past,
The glorious evening that shall last ;
That, by a holy death attained,
Eternal glory may be gained.

Ordinary Doxology :

O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ thine only Son,
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Shall live and reign eternally. Amen.

Then let the Officiant begin the Antiphon.

Sunday :

Ant. Of him are all things.

Ferial:

Ant. Give me understanding.

PSALM CXIX

Mirabilia.

THY testimonies are wonderful : therefore doth my soul keep them.

130 When thy word goeth forth : it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

131 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath : for my delight was in thy commandments.

132 O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me : as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

133 Order my steps in thy word : and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

134 O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men : and so shall I keep thy commandments.

135 Shew the light of thy countenance upon thy servant : and teach me thy statutes.

136 Mine eyes gush out with water : because men keep not thy law.

137 Righteous art thou, O Lord : and true is thy judgement.

138 The testimonies that thou hast commanded : are exceeding righteous and true.

139 My zeal hath even consumed me : because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

140 Thy word is tried to the uttermost : and thy servant loveth it.

141 I am small, and of no reputation : yet do I not forget thy commandments.

142 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness : and thy law is the truth.

143 Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me : yet is my delight in thy commandments.

144 The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting : O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Clamavi in toto corde meo.

I CALL with my whole heart : hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes.

146 Yea, even unto thee

do I call : help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.

147 Early in the morning do I cry unto thee : for in thy word is my trust.

148 Mine eyes prevent the night watches : that I might be occupied in thy words.

149 Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness : quicken me, according as thou art wont.

150 They draw nigh that of malice persecute me : and are far from thy law.

151 Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord : for all thy commandments are true.

152 As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since : that thou hast grounded them for ever.

153 O consider mine adversity, and deliver me : for I do not forget thy law.

154 Avenge thou my cause, and deliver me : quicken me, according to thy word.

155 Health is far from the ungodly : for they regard not thy statutes.

156 Great is thy mercy, O Lord : quicken me, as thou art wont.

157 Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me : yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.

158 It grieveth me when I see the transgressors because they keep not thy law.

159 Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments : O quicken me, according to thy loving-kindness.

160 Thy word is true from everlasting : all the judgements of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Principes persecuti sunt.

PRINCES have persecuted me without a cause : but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.

162 I am as glad of thy word : as one that findeth great spoils.

163 As for lies, I hate and abhor them : but thy law do I love.

164 Seven times a day do I praise thee : because of thy righteous judgements.

165 Great is the peace that they have who love

thy law : and they are not offended at it.

166 Lord, I have looked for thy saving health : and done after thy commandments.

167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies : and loved them exceedingly.

168 I have kept thy commandments and testimonies : for all my ways are before thee.

169 Let my complaint come before thee, O Lord : give me understanding, according to thy word.

170 Let my supplication come before thee : deliver me, according to thy word.

171 My lips shall speak of thy praise : when thou hast taught me thy statutes.

172 Yea, my tongue shall sing of thy word : for all thy commandments are righteous.

173 Let thine hand help me : for I have chosen thy commandments.

174 I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord : and in thy law is my delight.

175 O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee : and thy judgements shall help me.

176 I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost : O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Repeat the Antiphon all together.

Sunday :

* *Ant.* Of him are all things, through him are all things, to him are all things : to whom be all glory for evermore.

Chapter (*Eph.* iv. 5, 6). One Lord, one faith, one baptism ; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all ; who is blessed for ever.

℟. Thanks be to God.

R. I call with my whole heart : hear me, O Lord ;

℟. I call with my whole heart : hear me, O Lord.

℣. I will keep thy statutes ;

℟. Hear me, O Lord.

* The Antiphons, Chapters, etc., are changed according to the season see pp. 93, etc.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. I call with my whole heart : hear me, O Lord.

℣. O cleanse thou me from my secret faults ;

℟. Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Collect of the day.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord ;

℟. Thanks be to God.

[*Memorials, if any.*

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord ;

℟. Thanks be to God.]

MAY the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*

Ferial :

Ant. Give me understanding according to thy word.

Chapter (*Gal.* vi. 2) Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

℟. Thanks be to God.

R. O deliver me : and be merciful unto me ;

℟. O deliver me : and be merciful unto me.

℣. My foot standeth right : I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

℟. And be merciful unto me.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. O deliver me : and be merciful unto me.

℣. O cleanse thou me from my secret faults ;

℟. Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

Here follow the ferial prayers as at Terce, p. 60.

The following may be said after None.

Ant. When he suffered he threatened not ; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously.

℣. Even there shall thy hand lead me ;

℟. And thy right hand shall hold me.

Let us pray.

HEAR us, O merciful Lord Jesu Christ, and remember now the hour in which thou didst commend thy blessed Spirit into the hands of thy heavenly Father ; and so assist us by this thy most precious death, that, being dead unto the world, we may live only unto thee, and that at the hour of our departing from this mortal life we may be received into thine everlasting kingdom, there to reign with thee, world without end. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, we pray thee to set thy passion, cross, and death between thy judgement and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Vouchsafe to grant mercy and grace to the living, rest to the dead, to thy holy Church peace and concord, and to us sinners everlasting life and glory ; who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest God world without end. *Amen.*

O GRACIOUS Lord Jesus, who didst vouchsafe to die upon the cross for us ; remember, we beseech thee, all sick and dying persons, and grant that they may omit nothing which is necessary to make their peace with thee before they die. Deliver them, O Lord, from the malice of the devil, and from all sin and evil, and grant them a happy end ; for thy loving mercy's sake. *Amen.*

COMPLINE

[*According to ancient English usage Compline may begin with the* ℣. Turn thou us . . . *and the confession be said as directed on* p. 79.]

All standing up, let the Officiant say,

THE Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end. *Amen.*

BRETHREN, be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith (1 *St. Pet.* v. 8, 9).

℣. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us;

℟. Thanks be to God.

℣. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

℟. Who hath made heaven and earth.

OUR Father (*entirely in secret*).

*The confession shall be said by the principal person present in a low voice.**

I CONFESS to God Almighty, before all the company of heaven, and you, that I have sinned exceedingly, in thought, word, and deed, of my own fault; wherefore I pray God to have mercy upon me.

And the others shall say,

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon thee, and forgive thee all thy sins, deliver thee from all evil, confirm and strengthen thee in all goodness, and bring thee to everlasting life. *Amen.*

Then shall they say the confession as prescribed above.

I CONFESS to God Almighty, before all the company of heaven, and thee, that I have sinned exceedingly, in thought, word, and deed, of my own fault; wherefore I pray God to have mercy upon me.

* For alternative form of Confession, see p. 34.

The principal person shall reply,

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon you, and forgive you all your sins, deliver you from all evil, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life. *Amen.*

And, if a Priest, he shall add,

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance and amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

TURN thou us, O God our Saviour;

℟. And let thine anger cease from us.

℣. O God, make speed to save us;

℟. O Lord, make haste to help us.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

℟. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Alleluia.

But from Septuagesima to Wednesday in Holy Week (inclusive), instead of Alleluia *is said,*

O King of endless glory, Praise be to thee for evermore.

Then let the Officiant begin the Antiphon.

Have mercy.

PSALM IV

Cum invocarem.

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour: and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?

3 Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly: when I call upon the Lord he will hear me.

4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness: and put your trust in the Lord.

6 There be many that say : Who will shew us any good ?

7 Lord, lift thou up : the light of thy countenance upon us.

8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart : since the time that their corn, and wine, and oil, increased.

9 I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest : for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Psalm xxxi. 1–6

In te, Domine, speravi.

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine ear to me : make haste to deliver me.

3 And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence : that thou mayest save me.

4 For thou art my strong rock, and my castle : be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.

5 Draw me out of the net that they have la privily for me : for tho art my strength.

6 Into thy hands I com mend my spirit : for tho hast redeemed me, Lord, thou God of truth.

Glory be to the Fathe etc.

Psalm xci

Qui habitat.

WHOSO dwelleth un der the defence c the most High : shall a bide under the shadow c the Almighty.

2 I will say unto th Lord, thou art my hope and my strong hold : m God, in him will I trust.

3 For he shall delive thee from the snare of th hunter : and from the noi some pestilence.

4 He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under hi feathers : his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night : nor for the arrow that flieth by day ;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness : nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

7 A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand : but it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold : and see the reward of the ungodly.

9 For thou, Lord, art my hope : thou hast set thine house of defence very high.

10 There shall no evil happen unto thee : neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee : to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee in their hands : that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him : I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will hear him : yea, I am with him in trouble ; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.

16 With long life will I satisfy him : and shew him my salvation.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Psalm cxxxiv

Ecce nunc.

BEHOLD now, praise the Lord : all ye servants of the Lord.

2 Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord : even in the courts of the house of our God.

3 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary : and praise the Lord.

4 The Lord that made heaven and earth : give thee blessing out of Sion.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Repeat the Antiphon all together.

Have mercy upon me, O God : and hearken unto my prayer.

The foregoing Antiphon is said throughout Advent, from the Octave of the Epiphany to Lent, from Passion Sunday to Maundy Thursday, and from Trinity Sunday to Advent, except on Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of All Saints, and of the Holy Name.

Chapter (*Jer.* xiv. 9). Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy Name : leave us not, O Lord our God.

℟. Thanks be to God.

The foregoing chapter is said daily throughout the year, except from Maundy Thursday to Low Sunday.

Then may be said the following Respond.

℣. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit ;

℟. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

℣. For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth ;

℟. I commend my spirit.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

HYMN

Te lucis ante terminum.

TO thee before the close of day,
Creator of the world, we pray,
That with thy wonted favour thou
Wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

From all ill dreams defe
our eyes,
From nightly fears and fa
tasies ;
Tread under foot our ghost
foe,
That no pollution we m
know.

Ordinary Doxology :

O Father, that we ask
done,
Through Jesus Christ, thi
only Son,
Who, with the Holy Gho
and thee,
Doth live and reign ete
nally. Amen.

℣. Keep us, O Lord, the apple of an eye ;

℟. Hide us under th shadow of thy wings.

Ferial :

Ant. Save us.

Nunc dimittis.

LORD, now lettest tho thy servant depart peace : according to th word.

For mine eyes ha seen : thy salvation,

Which thou hast pr pared : before the face all people ;

To be a light to light the Gentiles : and to

the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Repeat the Antiphon all together.

Ferial:

Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping : that awake we may be with Christ, and in peace may take our rest.

Upon Doubles and within their Octaves the following suffrages may be omitted, the Officiant proceeding at once to the ℣. The Lord be with you . . . *immediately before the final Collect.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;

℟. But deliver us from evil.

℣. I will lay me down in peace ;

℟. And take my rest.

I BELIEVE in God.

℣. The resurrection of the body ;

℟. And the life everlasting.

℣. Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers ;

℟. To be praised and glorified above all for ever.

℣. Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost ;

℟. Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

℣. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven ;

℟. Above all to be praised and glorified for ever.

℣. The Almighty and merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.

℟. Amen.

[*The Confession*, p. 74, *will be said here if it has not been said at the beginning of the service.*]

℣. Vouchsafe, O Lord ;

℟. To keep us this night without sin.

℣. O Lord, have mercy upon us ;

℟. Have mercy upon us.

℣. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us ;

℟. As our trust is in thee.

℣. O Lord, hear my prayer ;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

The Officiant stands up.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

VISIT, we beseech thee, O Lord, this dwelling, and drive from it all the snares of the enemy ; let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace ; and may thy blessing be upon us evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

THE Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us. *Amen.*

The following prayers may be said after Compline.

O LORD Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who at the hour of Compline didst rest in the sepulchre, and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people ; Make us so to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of thy passion, that when our bodies lie in the dust our souls may live with thee ; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LOOK down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the sons of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

BE present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the

changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The following variations may be used:

On all double Feasts between the Octave of the Epiphany and Lent, on Whitsun Eve, on Trinity Sunday, and between Trinity and Christmas.

Salvator mundi, Domine.

THEE, Saviour of the world, we pray,
Who hast preserved us through the day,
Protect us through the coming night,
And ever save us by thy might.

Be with us, Lord, in mercy nigh,
And spare thy servants when they cry;
Our sins blot out, our prayers receive,
Our darkness lighten and forgive.

O let not sleep o'ercome the soul,
Nor Satan with his spirits foul;
Our flesh keep chaste, that it may be
An holy temple unto thee.

To thee, who dost our souls renew,
With heartfelt vows we humbly sue,
That pure in heart and free from stain,
We from our beds may rise again.

Ordinary Doxology:

All laud to God the Father be;
All praise, Eternal Son, to thee;
All glory as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete.
Amen.

Advent

Ant. to Nunc dimittis.
Come, O Lord: and visit us in peace; that we may joy before thee with a perfect heart.

Christmas Eve

Ant. to Psalms. Be ye ready, and like unto men that wait for their Lord: when he will return from the wedding.

HYMN

Corde natus.

OF the Father sole begotten,
Ere the worlds began to be,
He the Alpha and Omega,
He the Source, the ending he,

Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore !

He is here, whom seers in old time
Chanted of, while ages ran ;
Whom the writings of the prophets
Promised since the world began :
Then foretold, now manifested,
To receive the praise of man,
Evermore and evermore !

O that ever-blessed birthday,
When the Virgin, full of grace,
Of the Holy Ghost incarnate
Bare the Saviour of our race;
And that Child, the world's Redeemer,
First displayed his Sacred Face,
Evermore and evermore !

Laud and honour to the Father !
Laud and honour to the Son!
Laud and honour to the Spirit !
Ever Three and ever One :
Consubstantial, Co-eternal,
While unending ages run,
Evermore and evermore.
Amen.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis.
Take ye heed, watch ye all and pray, for ye know not when the time is. Watch ye, therefore, because ye know not when the Master of the house cometh, even, or at midnight, at cockcrow, or in the morning : lest, coming suddenly, peradventure he should find you sleeping.

Christmas Day

And daily till the Eve of the Circumcision.

Ant. to Psalms. Unto us is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Hymn

Corde natus, p. 81.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. Alleluia. The Word was made flesh, alleluia : and dwelt among us, alleluia, alleluia.

The Circumcision

And daily till the Eve of the Epiphany.

Ant. to Psalms. When the Lord was born, the choirs of angels cried, saying : Salvation to our God, which sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb.

HYMN

Corde natus, p. 81.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis *as on Christmas Day.*

The Epiphany

And throughout the Octave.

Ant. to Psalms. Thou hast appeared, O Christ, thou Light of Light : unto whom the sages offer gifts, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN

Corde natus, p. 81.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. Alleluia. All they from Sheba shall come, alleluia: they shall bring gold and incense, alleluia, alleluia.

First Sunday in Lent

And daily until the third Sunday.

Ant. to Psalms. Lift thou up, O Lord God, the light of thy countenance upon us : thou hast put gladness in my heart.

Chapter, p. 78.

R. *to Chapter.* In perfect peace and safety, I shall sleep and take my rest.

℣. If I give sleep to mine eyes and slumber to mine eyelids,

℟. I shall sleep and take my rest :

℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost ;

℟. In perfect peace and safety I shall sleep and take my rest.

HYMN

Christe, qui Lux es et Dies.

O CHRIST, who art the Light and Day,
Who shed'st through night thy searching ray ;
Thee very Light of Light we own,
Who hast thy glorious light made known.

All-holy Lord, to thee we bend ;
Thy servants through this night defend ;
O grant us calm repose in thee,
A quiet night from perils free.

Let not dull sleep the soul oppress,
Nor crafty foe the heart possess,
Nor Satan's wiles the flesh allure,
To make us in thy sight impure.

Let but the eyes due slumber take,
The heart to thee be aye awake ;
And thy right hand protection be
To them who love and trust in thee.

Look down, O Lord, our strong defence,
Repress our foes' proud insolence ;
Preserve and govern us for good,
The purchase of thy precious blood.

Remember us, dear Lord, we pray,
Pent in this cumbering frame of clay ;
Thou only canst the soul defend ;
Be with us, Saviour, to the end.

All laud to God the Father be ;
All praise, Eternal Son, to thee ;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete.
Amen.

℣. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye ;
℟. Hide us under the shadow of thy wings.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis.
When thou seest the naked, cover thou him, and hide not thyself from thine own flesh : then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and the glory of the Lord shall be thy rereward.

Third Sunday in Lent

And daily until Passion Sunday.

Everything as on First Sunday in Lent, except the

Ant. to Nunc dimittis.
In the midst of life we are in death ; of whom may we seek for succour but of thee, O Lord, who for our offences art justly displeased : yet, O God most holy, O holy and mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, give us not over unto bitter death.

[*Then on Saturdays, Sundays, and Greater Feasts said,*

℣. Cast us not away : the time of age : forsake us not, O Lord, when our strength faileth us ;
℟. Yet, O God most holy, O holy and mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, give us not over unto bitter death.
℣. Shut not thy gracious ears to our petitions ;
℟. O holy and mighty, O holy and merciful Sa

iour, give us not over unto bitter death.

℣. Thou that knowest all the secrets of the heart, spare us thy sinful people ;

℟. O holy and merciful Saviour, give us not over unto bitter death.]

Passion Sunday

And daily until Wednesday in Holy Week.

All as in the Office, p. 74, *down to* ℟. *to Chapter*, p. 78. *Then follows*

R. Into thy hands, (*people**) O Lord : I commend my spirit.

℣. For thou hast redeemed us, O Lord, thou God of truth ;

℟. I commend my spirit.

The Gloria Patri *is omitted.*

℟. (*All together*) Into thy hands . . .

Hymn

Cultor Dei memento.

SERVANT of God, remember
The hallow'd font's bedewing ;
The seal of confirmation
Thine inner man renewing.

Take heed when, called by slumber,
All chastely thou reclinest,
That with the holy symbol
Thy brow and breast thou signest.

The cross doth chase all evil ;
Before it darkness flieth ;
That soul abideth stedfast
Which on this sign relieth.

Far hence ! ye wandering phantoms
Of wild, unquiet dreaming ;
Begone ! thou arch-deceiver
With thy unwearied scheming.

O ever subtil serpent,
Who toils unnumbered weavest,
And with thy guileful windings
Our hearts of peace bereavest.

Avaunt ! for Christ is with us ;
Yea, Christ is here ; then vanish !
This sign—full well thou know'st it—
Can all thy legions banish.

What though the weary body
Awhile its rest is taking,
The soul shall, e'en in slumber,
To thoughts of Christ be waking.

* See General Rubric, p. 33.

All laud to God the Father,
To Christ true King of Heaven,
And Paraclete most holy,
Be now and ever given.
Amen.

℣. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye ;
℟. Hide us under the shadow of thy wings.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. O King, all glorious amid thy saintly company, who ever shalt be praised, yet overpassest utterance : thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy holy Name : leave us not, O our God ; that in the day of judgement it may please thee to place us in the number of thy saints and chosen ones, King most blessed.

[*Then on Saturdays, Sundays, Greater Feasts, and on Wednesday in Holy Week is said,*

℣. O King most blessed, we pray thee to prosper the way of thy servants ;
℟. In the number of thy saints and chosen ones, King most blessed.
℣. That by godly discipline we may efface our grievous offences ;
℟. King most blessed.
℣. And so with pure conscience may duly keep the Paschal Feast ;
℟. In the number of thy saints and chosen ones, King most blessed.]

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday

All is said in a low voice and without note. The service begins with the confession and absolution without Our help, etc.

Then the accustomed psalms are said without antiphon and after the psalms at once Nunc dimittis.

Then, all kneeling,

Ant. Christ became obedient for us unto death, even the death of the cross.

OUR Father (*all in silence*).

Ps. LI. *Miserere* (p. 216).

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross :

Who now liveth, etc., *is said silently. So the service ends.*

Easter Even

The Office begins in the usual way. After the Gloria Patri *is said* Alleluia.

Then without Antiphon the accustomed psalms shall be said.

The hymn, short Chapter, and short ℟. *shall not be said.*

At Nunc dimittis *the Antiphon :*

In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn towards the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre, alleluia.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

POUR upon us, O Lord, the Spirit of thy love, that as we are refreshed by thy paschal sacraments, so of thy mercy we may be knit in the bond of peace and concord ; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord ;

℟. Thanks be to God.

THE Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us. *Amen.*

Easter Day

And throughout the week until Saturday.

Everything as on Easter Even, except that after the psalms there follows

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Then follows Nunc dimittis *and afterwards the Gradual,*

This is the day (*people*) which the Lord hath made : we will rejoice and be glad in it.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

The Collect, Pour upon us, etc., *with* The Lord be with you, etc., *as on Easter Even.*

Low Sunday

And daily until the Vigil of the Ascension.

Everything as in the Office, except the following :

Ant. to Psalms. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

After the ℟. *to Chapter,* p. 78, *is said the following Respond :*

R. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Into thy hands . . .

Hymn

Jesu, Salvator saeculi.

JESU, who brought'st redemption nigh,
Word of the Father, God most high ;
O Light of Light, to man unknown,
And watchful guardian of thine own.

Thy hand creation made and guides ;
Thy wisdom time from time divides ;
By this world's cares and toils oppressed,
O give our weary bodies rest.

That, while in frames of si
and pain,
A little longer we remain,
Our flesh may here in suc
wise sleep
That watch with Christ ou
souls may keep.

O free us, while we dwell be
low,
From insults of our ghostl
foe,
That he may ne'er victoriou
be
O'er them that are redeeme
by thee.

O Lord of all, with us abide
In this our joyful Easter
tide ;
From every weapon deat
can wield
Thine own redeem'd for eve
shield.

All praise be thine, O rise
Lord,
From death to endless li
restored ;
All praise to God the Fathe
be
And Holy Ghost eternall
Amen.

℣. Keep us, O Lord, a
the apple of an eye, allelui
℟. Hide us under th
shadow of thy wing
Alleluia.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. Alleluia, the Lord is rise
alleluia : as he said unt
you, alleluia, alleluia.

Ascension Day

From the Vigil of the Ascension daily until Whitsun Eve.

Everything as on Low Sunday, except the following :

HYMN

Jesu, nostra Redemptio.

JESU, Redemption all divine,
Whom here we love, for whom we pine,
God, working out creation's plan,
And in the latter time made man ;

What love of thine was that which led
To take our woes upon thy head,
And pangs and cruel death to bear,
To ransom us from death's despair ?

To thee hell's gate gave ready way,
Demanding there his captive prey ;
And now in pomp and victor's pride
Thou sittest at the Father's side.

Let very mercy force thee still
To spare us, conquering all our ill ;
And, granting that we ask, on high
With thine own face to satisfy.

Be thou our joy and thou our guard,
As thou wilt be our great reward ;
Our glory and our boast in thee
For ever and for ever be !

All glory, Lord, to thee we pay,
Ascending o'er the stars today ;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete.
Amen.

℣. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye, alleluia.

℟. Hide us under the shadow of thy wings. Alleluia.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. Alleluia. Christ is gone up on high, alleluia : and hath led captivity captive, alleluia, alleluia.

Whitsun Eve

Ant. to Psalms. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN

Salvator mundi, p. 81.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. Alleluia. The Holy Ghost, the Comforter, alleluia : shall teach you all things, alleluia, alleluia.

Whitsunday

And daily until the Friday following inclusive.

Everything as on Whitsun Eve, except that the following hymn is sung :

HYMN

Veni, Sancte Spiritus.

COME, thou Holy Spirit, come ;
And from thy celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine ;
Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come, thou source of all our store,
Come, within our bosoms shine.

Thou of comforters the best,
Thou the soul's most welcome guest,
Sweet refreshment here below ;
In our labour rest most sweet,
Grateful coolness in the heat,
Solace in the midst of woe.

O most blessèd light divine,
Shine within these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill ;
Where thou art not, man hath nought,
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds ; our strength renew ;
On our dryness pour thy dew ;
Wash the stains of guilt away ;
Bend the stubborn heart and will ;
Melt the frozen ; warm the chill ;
Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore
And confess thee, evermore
In thy sevenfold gifts descend :
Give them virtue's sure reward,
Give them thy salvation, Lord,
Give them joys that never end. Amen.

℣. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye, alleluia.
℟. Hide us under the shadow of thy wings. Alleluia.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. Alleluia. The Holy Ghost, the Comforter, alleluia : shall teach you all things Alleluia, alleluia.

Trinity Sunday

Everything as in the Office, with hymn Salvator mundi (p. 81), *except*

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. Grant us thy light, O

Lord : that, the darkness of our hearts being done away, we may come to the true Light, even Christ our Saviour.

This Proper is used on all double Feasts occurring between the Octave of the Epiphany and Lent, and between Trinity and Advent, except those provided for below. It is also used for the Dedication of a Church and its Octave, unless it occur during Advent, Lent, or Eastertide, during which seasons the Compline of the season is not changed.

Feast of Corpus Christi

Everything as on Trinity Sunday, except that the hymn is :

Lauda, Sion, Salvatorem.

PRAISE, O Sion, praise thy Pastor,
Praise thy Saviour and thy Master,
High the choral anthems raise.

All thy utmost might it needeth
For he all thy praise exceedeth,
Thou canst ne'er express his praise.

Great the theme of our thanksgiving,
Bread of Life, Bread Everliving,
Is to-day before thee set.

E'en the same we touch and take it,
As when o'er the board he break it,
Where the brethren twelve were met.

Full and clear ring out our chanting,
Joy nor sweetest grace be wanting
In the gladness of the breast.

Let a solemn chant be raised,
While the mystery is praised,
Of the holy eucharist.

Here the New Law's new Oblation,
By the new King's revelation,
Brings to end the ancient rite.

Now the new the old effaces,
Truth away the shadow chases,
Light dispels the gloom of night.

What he did, at supper seated,
Christ ordained to be repeated,
His memorial ne'er to cease.

And his rule for guidance taking,
Bread and wine we hallow, making
Thus our sacrifice of peace.

Wondrous truth to Christians given !
Bread becomes his Flesh from heaven,
To his Blood is turned the wine.

What nor sense nor sight conceiveth,
Yet a dauntless faith believeth,
Resting on a power divine.
Amen.

Feast of All Saints

Everything as on Trinity Sunday, except

Ant. to Psalms. At the prayers of all the Saints: bestow on thy servants, O Christ, we beseech thee, health of soul and body.

Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary

except the Conception and Lady Day, which follow the season.

Ant. to Psalms. Blessed art thou, Mary, who hast believed : there shall be performed in thee the things which were told thee from the Lord. Alleluia.

HYMN

Salvator mundi, p. 81, *with the Christmas Doxology*, p. 102.

On Candlemas Corde natus (p. 81) *may be sung.*

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. With joy and gladness let us celebrate this Festival of Blessed Mary, that she may intercede for us through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Feast of the Holy Name

Everything as in the Office except

Ant. to Psalms. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, like as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

HYMN

Salvator mundi, p. 81, *with the Christmas Doxology*, p. 102.

℣. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye ;
℟. Hide us under the shadow of thy wings.

Ant. to Nunc dimittis. O King, all glorious amid thy saintly company, whosoever shalt be praised, yet overpassest utterance thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy holy Name leave us not, O our God that in the day of judgement it may please thee to place us in the number of thy saints and chosen ones, King most blessed.

PROPER OF SEASONS

All is said throughout as in the Psalter, except when here otherwise noted.

First Sunday in Advent

Prime :

Ant. In that day the mountains shall drop down new wine : and the hills shall flow with milk and honey, alleluia.

Terce :

Ant. Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Sion : shout, O daughter of Jerusalem, alleluia.

Chapter (*Rom.* xiii. 11). Now it is high time to awake out of sleep : for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

*℟. Come and save us : O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole ;

℟. O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Come and . . .

℣. The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord ;

℟. And all the kings of the earth thy Majesty.

Then the Officiant says the Collect of the day, preceded always, except it be otherwise ordered, by

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility ; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal ; through him who liveth.

* See General Rubric, p. 32.

Or this:

STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power and come; that we may be found worthy to be kept by thy protection from the threatening dangers of our sins, and be set free by thy deliverance; who livest and reignest.

Sext:

Ant. Behold, the Lord my God shall come, and all his saints with him: and there shall be in that day a great light, alleluia.

Chapter (*Rom.* xiii. 12). The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

***R.** O Lord, shew: thy mercy upon us.

℣. And grant us thy salvation;

℟. Thy mercy upon us.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. O Lord, shew . . .

℣. Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour that thou bearest unto thy people;

℟. O visit me with thy salvation.

None:

Ant. Lo, there comet a great prophet: and h shall renew Jerusalem alleluia.

Chapter (*Rom.* xiii. 1 14). Let us walk honestl as in the day; not i rioting and drunkenness not in chambering an wantonness, not in strif and envying. But put y on the Lord Jesus Christ.

***R.** The Lord shall aris upon thee: O Jerusalem.

℣. And his glory sha be seen upon thee;

℟. O Jerusalem.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Lord shall . . .

℣. Turn us again, Lord God of hosts;

℟. Shew the light o thy countenance, and w shall be whole.

Monday

and on all Ferias until Christ mas Eve, except that the Anti phons change on December 17, p. 98.

Prime:

Ant. Come and delive us: O our God.

* See General Rubric, p. 32.

Terce :

Ant. O Lord, raise up thy power : and come among us to succour us.

Chapter (*Heb.* x. 37). For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.

***R.** Come and save us : O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole ;

℟. O Lord God of hosts.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Come and save . . .

℣. The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord ;

℟. And all the kings of the earth thy Majesty.

Sext :

Ant. When thou comest : deliver us, O Lord.

Chapter (*Isa.* xiii. 22 ; xiv. 1). Her time is near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged. For the Lord will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel.

***R.** O Lord, shew : thy mercy upon us.

℣. And grant us thy salvation ;

℟. Thy mercy upon us.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. O Lord, shew . . .

℣. Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour that thou bearest unto thy people ;

℟. O visit me with thy salvation.

None :

Ant. Come, O Lord, and do not tarry : purge the transgressions of thy people Israel.

Chapter (*Isa.* ii. 3). Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob ; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths : for out of Sion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

***R.** The Lord shall arise upon thee : O Jerusalem.

℣. And his glory shall be seen upon thee ;

℟. O Jerusalem.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Lord shall . . .

* See General Rubric, p. 32.

℣. Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts;

℟. Shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Thus Prime, Terce, Sext, and None are said on all Ferias until Christmas Eve, except that the Antiphons change on December 17, p. 98.

Second Sunday in Advent

Prime:

Ant. Behold, the Lord cometh in the clouds of heaven : with power and great glory, alleluia.

Terce:

Ant. We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks : open ye the gates, for God is with us, alleluia.

Chapter (*Rom.* xv. 4). Whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

R. Come and save us, etc., p. 93.

Collect.

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth.

Or this :

STIR up, O Lord, our hearts to prepare the way of thy only-begotten Son, that through his coming we may be found worthy to serve thee with pure hearts; who liveth and reigneth with thee.

Sext:

Ant. Lo, in the time appointed the Lord shall speak and shall not lie though he tarry, wait for him, because he will surely come, he will not tarry, alleluia.

Chapter (*Rom.* xv. 5, 6). Now the God of patience and consolation grant you

to be likeminded one toward another, according to Christ Jesus : that ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

R. O Lord, shew thy mercy, etc., p. 94.

None :

Ant. Behold, our Lord shall come with power : to give light unto the eyes of his servants, alleluia.

Chapter (*Rom.* xv. 13). Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

R. The Lord shall arise, etc., p. 94.

Third Sunday in Advent

Prime :

Ant. The Lord will surely come, and will not tarry : and will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and make himself manifest unto all people, alleluia.

Terce :

Ant. Rejoice, O Jerusalem, with great rejoicing : for behold there cometh unto thee the Saviour, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* iv. 1). Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful.

R. Come and save us, etc., p. 93.

Collect.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee ; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest.

Or this :

LORD, we beseech thee, give ear to our prayers, and by thy gracious visitation, lighten the

darkness of our hearts, by our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth.

Sext :

Ant. I will place salvation in Sion : for Jerusalem my glory, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* iv. 3). But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you or of man's judgement ; yea, I judge not mine own self.

R. O Lord, shew thy mercy, etc., p. 94.

None :

Ant. Let us live righteously and godly : looking for that blessed hope, and the appearing of the Lord, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* iv. 5). Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts : and then shall every man have praise of God.

R. The Lord shall arise, etc., p. 94.

The following Antiph for the Hours are said on six Ferias before the V of the Nativity, beginning December 17.

But if December 17 *be Sunday, the Antiphons begun on Monday, Decem* 18.

MONDAY

At Prime. Behold t Lord shall come, t Prince of the kings of t earth : blessed are th who are prepared to me him.

At Terce. When t Son of man shall come thinkest thou he will fi faith upon the earth ?

At Sext. Behold, now come the fulness of tim in which God sent his ov Son on the earth.

At None. The Lo shall go forth from h holy place : he shall cor to save his people.

TUESDAY

At Prime. Drop dow ye heavens, from abov and let the skies po down the Righteous On let the earth open a bring forth the Saviour.

At Terce. Send forth, Lord, the Lamb : t Ruler of the earth, fro

the rock of the desert, to the mountain of the daughter of Sion.

At Sext. That thy way may be known upon earth : and thy saving health unto all nations.

At None. The law was given by Moses : grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

Wednesday

At Prime. The prophets foretold : that a Saviour would be born of the Virgin Mary.

At Terce. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me : because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor.

At Sext. For Sion's sake: will I not hold my peace until the Righteous One come forth as brightness.

At None. Declare this among the people : and say, Behold, God our Saviour shall come.

Thursday

At Prime. The Lord Almighty shall come from Sion : that he may save his people.

At Terce. Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and tarry not to come unto thy servants.

At Sext. Out of Sion the Lord shall come to be our King : Emmanuel is his great Name.

At None. The Lord is our Law-giver : the Lord is our King, he shall come and save us.

Friday

At Prime. Be ye stedfast : and ye shall see the help of the Lord upon you.

At Terce. Unto thee, O Lord, have I lift up my soul : come and deliver me, O Lord ; in thee have I made my place of refuge.

At Sext. Come, O Lord, and do not tarry : forgive the sins of thy people Israel.

At None. Yet will I look unto the Lord : I will await God my Saviour.

Saturday

At Prime. Behold : how glorious is he, who cometh to save the peoples.

At Terce. His dominion shall be increased : and of his peace there shall be no end.

At Sext. I the Lord have brought my righteousness nigh : it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall not tarry.

At None. Prepare thee, O Israel, to meet the Lord : for he cometh.

Fourth Sunday in Advent

Prime :

Ant. Blow ye the trumpet in Sion, for the day of the Lord is nigh at hand : behold, he cometh to save us, alleluia, alleluia.

Terce :

Ant. Behold, the desire of all nations shall come : and the house of the Lord shall be filled with glory, alleluia.

Chapter (*Phil.* v. 4, 5). Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand.

R. Come and save us, etc., p. 93.

Collect.

O LORD, raise up (we pray thee) thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us ; that whereas through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us ; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext :

Ant. The crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain : Come, O Lord, and do not tarry, alleluia.

Chapter (*Phil.* iv. 6). Be careful for nothing ; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

R. O Lord, shew thy mercy, etc., p. 94.

None :

Ant. Thine Almighty Word, O Lord : shall surely come out of thy royal throne, alleluia.

Chapter (*Phil.* iv. 7). And the peace of God

which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds.

R. The Lord shall arise, etc., p. 94.

Christmas Eve

Prime:

Ant. O Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed : to-morrow go out; for the Lord will be with you, alleluia.

Terce:

Ant. Ye shall know this day that the Lord will come : and in the morning then shall ye see his glory.

Chapter (*Isa.* lxii. 1). For Sion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake will I not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth.

R. To-day ye shall know : that the Lord will come.

℣. And on the morrow ye shall see his glory ;

℟. That the Lord . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. To-day ye shall . . .

℣. Stand ye still ;

℟. And see the salvation of the Lord with you.

Collect.

O GOD, who makest us glad with the yearly expectation of our redemption ; Grant that as we joyfully receive thine only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our judge ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The suffrages are omitted at Terce, Sext, and None.

Sext:

Ant. To-morrow shall the offences of the earth be done away : and the Saviour of the world shall be King over us.

Chapter (*Isa.* lxii. 2). The Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory : and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name.

R. To-morrow : the iniquity of the earth shall be done away ;

℣. And the Saviour of the world shall reign over us.

℟. The iniquity . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. To-morrow . . .

℣. To-morrow ye shall have help ;

℟. Saith the Lord God of hosts.

None :

Ant. The Lord shall come : meet him and say ; Great is his beginning and of his kingdom there shall be no end ; the Mighty God, the Ruler, the Prince of peace, alleluia.

Chapter (*Isa.* lxii. 4). Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken ; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate : but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy land Beulah : for the Lord delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.

R. To-morrow : ye shall have help.

℣. Saith the Lord God of hosts.

℟. Ye shall . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. To-morrow . . .

℣. To-morrow the iniquity of the earth shall be done away ;

℟. And the Saviour of the world shall reign over us.

The Nativity of our Lord commonly called Christmas Day

DOXOLOGY

All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu, virgin-born, to thee
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete
Amen.

This Doxology is said to all hymns till the Feast of the Epiphany.

Prime :

Ant. Whom did ye see O shepherds, tell us now declare to us speedily who hath appeared upon earth : we saw there newborn amid the choir of angels him our Saviour and our Lord, alleluia alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Tim.* i. 17). Now unto the King . . .

R. Jesu Christ, Son of the living God : have mercy upon us.

℣. Thou who didst vouchsafe to be born of a virgin ;

℟. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Jesu Christ, Son . . .

℣. O Lord, arise, help us ;

℟. And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

This **R.** *is said at Prime daily until the Feast of the Epiphany.*

[*According to some ancient Uses Christmastide continues until the morrow of the Purification.*]

Terce:

Ant. Lo ! a maiden brought forth the King, whose Name is Everlasting : she hath all the joy of motherhood with all the honour of maidenhood ; none hath been seen like unto her, neither shall there be any such, alleluia.

Chapter (*Titus* ii. 11,12). The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world.

R. The Word was made flesh : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And dwelt among us ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Word . . .

℣. He shall call me, alleluia ;

℟. Thou art my Father, alleluia.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin ; Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit ; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, worldwithout end. *Amen.*

Sext:

Ant. The angel said unto the shepherds: Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy; for unto you is born this day the Saviour of the world, alleluia.

Chapter (*Titus* iii. 4, 5). After that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness, which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us.

R. The Lord hath made known; alleluia, alleluia.
℣. His salvation.
℟. Alleluia, alleluia.
℣. Glory be . . .
℟. The Lord hath . . .

℣. All the ends of the earth have seen, alleluia;
℟. The salvation of our God, alleluia.

None:

Ant. Unto us a Child is born this day, a Son to us is given: and his Name shall be called The mighty God, alleluia, alleluia.

Chapter (*Heb.* i. 1). God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the f thers by the prophe hath in these last da spoken unto us by h Son.

R. All the ends of th earth have seen; allelui alleluia.
℣. The salvation of o God.
℟. Alleluia, alleluia.
℣. Glory be . . .
℟. All the ends . . .

℣. The Word was mad flesh, alleluia;
℟. And dwelt amon us, alleluia.

St. Stephen's Day

Prime:

Ant. They stoned St phen as he cried and calle on the Lord, saying Lord, lay not this sin t their charge.

Terce:

Ant. The stones of th brook were sweet unt him: him doth every so of the righteous follow.

Chapter (*Acts* vi. 8 And Stephen, full of fait and power, did great wo

ders and miracles among the people.

R. With honour and glory : thou hast crowned him, O Lord.

℣. Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands ;

℟. Thou hast crowned him, O Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. With honour . . .

℣. Thou hast set a crown of pure gold ;

℟. Upon his head, O Lord.

Collect.

GRANT, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here upon earth for the testimony of thy truth, we may stedfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed ; and, being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the example of thy first Martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God to succour all those that suffer for thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Sext :

Ant. My soul hangeth upon thee : for thy sake hath my body been stoned, O my God.

Chapter (*Acts* vii. 55, 56). Stephen, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

R. Thou hast set : a crown of pure gold.

℣. Upon his head, O Lord ;

℟. A crown of pure gold.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou hast set . . .

℣. His honour is great in thy salvation ;

℟. Glory and great worship hast thou laid upon him.

None :

Ant. Behold, I see the heavens opened : and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.

Chapter (*Acts* vii. 60). And he kneeled down,

and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

℟. His honour is great : in thy salvation.

℣. Glory and great worship hast thou laid upon him.

℟. In thy salvation.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. His honour . . .

℣. The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree ;

℟. And shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.

St. John the Evangelist's Day

Prime :

Ant. This is the disciple which did testify : and we know that his testimony is true.

Terce :

Ant. This is my disciple : if I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee ?

Chapter (1 *St. John* i. 1, 3). That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled of the Word of life declare we unto you.

℟. Their sound is gone out : into all lands.

℣. And their words into the ends of the world ;

℟. Into all lands.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Their sound . . .

℣. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands ;

℟. They shall remember thy Name, O Lord.

Collect.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext :

Ant. Behold mine elect servant whom I have chosen : I have put my Spirit upon him.

Chapter (1 *St. John* i. 2). The life was manifested and we have seen it, and bear witness and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father and was manifested unto us.

R. Thou shalt make them princes : in all lands.

℣. They shall remember thy Name, O Lord ;

℟. In all lands.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou shalt make . . .

℣. Exceedingly honoured are thy friends, O Lord ;

℟. Surely established in their pre-eminence.

None :

Ant. If I will that he tarry till I come : what is that to thee ? Follow thou me.

Chapter (1 *St. John* i. 3). That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us ; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

R. Exceedingly honoured : are thy friends, O Lord.

℣. Surely established in their pre-eminence ;

℟. Are thy friends, O Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Exceedingly honoured . . .

℣. All men that see it shall say, this hath God done ;

℟. For they shall perceive that it is his work.

The Holy Innocents' Day

Prime :

Ant. Herod, being exceeding wrath, slew many children : in Bethlehem of Judaea, the city of David.

Terce :

Ant. From two years old and under : did Herod slay many children for the Lord's sake.

Chapter (*Rev.* xiv. 1). I looked, and lo, a Lamb stood on the Mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's Name written in their foreheads.

R. Be glad, O ye righteous : and rejoice in the Lord.

℣. And be joyful, all ye that are true of heart ;

℟. And rejoice in the Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Be glad . . .

℣. Let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God ;

℟. Let them also be merry and joyful.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths ; Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping : Rachel weeping for her children.

Chapter (*Rev.* xiv. 4). These are they which were not defiled with wome for they are virgins.

R. Let the righteous l glad : and rejoice befo God.

℣. Let them also l merry and joyful ;

℟. And rejoice befo God.

℣. Glory be . . . .

℟. Let the righteous . .

℣. The souls of th righteous are in the hanc of God ;

℟. And there shall n torment touch them.

None:

Ant. Under the thron of God all the saints cr out : Avenge our blood, our God.

Chapter (*Rev.* xiv. 4, 5) These were redeemed fro among men, being th firstfruits unto God, an to the Lamb. And i their mouth was found n guile.

R. The souls of th righteous are in the hand of God.

℣. And there shall n torment touch them ;

℟. In the hands of God

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The souls . . .

℣. O God, wonderful art thou in thy saints;
℟. And glorious in thy Majesty.

DECEMBER 29
ST. THOMAS, ARCHBISHOP AND MARTYR
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DECEMBER 30
All as on Christmas Day.

DECEMBER 31
ST. SILVESTER, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR
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The Circumcision of Christ

All as on Christmas Day except at

Prime:

Ant. O wondrous trafficking! The Creator of mankind, taking to himself a living body, vouchsafed to be born of a virgin: and proceeding forth as man made us co-heirs of his Godhead.

Terce:

Ant. When thou wast born of a virgin ineffably, then was the scripture fulfilled: He shall come down like the rain upon the mown grass. We praise thee, O our God.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who madest thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit; that, our hearts, and all our members, being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey thy blessed will; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Or this:

O GOD, who didst bestow upon mankind the gift of eternal salvation through the fruitful virginity of blessed Mary; grant unto us, we beseech thee, the benefit of her prayers, through whom we have received the author of life, thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. Lo, Mary hath borne to us a Saviour: whom when John saw he

cried, Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world, alleluia.

None:

Ant. The Root of Jesse hath budded; a Star hath risen out of Jacob: a Virgin hath brought forth the Saviour. We praise thee, O our God.

Thus Prime, Terce, Sext, and None are said until the Feast of the Epiphany, except

Second Sunday after Christmas

Collect.

O GOD, who didst wonderfully create and yet more wonderfully renew the dignity of man's estate; grant that we may be partakers of his divinity, who hath vouchsafed to partake of our manhood; who liveth.

The Epiphany

And throughout the Octave.

DOXOLOGY

All glory, Lord, to thee we pay
For thine Epiphany to-day;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete.
Amen.

Prime:

Ant. Begotten before the morning, and Ruler before all time: our Saviour to-day is made manifest to the world.

Chapter (1 *Tim.* i. 1; Now unto the King . .

℟. Jesu Christ, Son the living God: have mercy upon us.

℣. Thou who to-day wast made manifest to the world;

℟. Have mercy . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Jesu Christ . . .

℣. O Lord, arise, help us;

℟. And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Terce:

Ant. Thy light is come, O Jerusalem, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee: and the Gentiles shall come to thy light, alleluia.

Chapter (*Isa.* lx. 1 Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

℟. All they from Sheba shall come: alleluia, alleluia.

℣. They shall bring gold and incense, and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. All they . . .

℣. The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents, alleluia ;

℟. The kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts, alleluia.

Collect.

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles ; Mercifully grant, that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. When they had opened their treasures, the wise men presented unto him gifts : gold and frankincense, and myrrh, alleluia.

Chapter (*Isa.* lx. 2, 3). The Lord shall arise upon thee, O Jerusalem, and his glory shall be seen upon thee ; and the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

R. The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. The kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The kings of Tharsis . . .

℣. O worship the Lord, alleluia ;

℟. In the beauty of holiness, alleluia.

None:

Ant. Three are the gifts which the wise men presented unto the Lord : gold, and frankincense, and myrrh, to the Son of God, the mighty King, alleluia.

Chapter (*Isa.* lx. 6). All they from Sheba shall come ; they shall bring gold and incense ; and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord.

R. O worship the Lord : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. In the beauty of holiness ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .
℟. O worship . . .

℣. Worship the Lord, alleluia;
℟. All ye angels of his, alleluia.

First Sunday after the Epiphany

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

From the Octave of the Epiphany until the First Sunday in Lent all as in the Psalter on Sundays and Ferias respectively, except on Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima Sundays.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth.

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

O GOD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

O LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion ; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life ; Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure ; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom ; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Septuagesima Sunday

Prime:

Ant. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day : he sent them into his vineyard.

Ps. xciii. Dominus regnavit *is said at Prime from henceforth till Easter instead of* Ps. cxviii. Confitemini Domino.

Terce:

Ant. Go ye also into the vineyard : and whatsoever is right I will give you.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* ix. 24). Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize ? So run, that ye may obtain.

R. Thou hast been (*people continue**) my succour, O Lord : leave me not.

* So the R. is said at the Hours on Sunday from this day till the end of Lent ; and on all ferias in Lent from the first Monday until Maundy Thursday. See p. 33.

℣. Neither forsake me, O God of my salvation ;

℟. Leave me not.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou hast . . .

℣. I said, Lord be merciful unto me ;

℟. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

Collect.

O LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people ; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name ; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext:

Ant. Why stand ye here all the day idle ? They say unto him, because no man hath hired us.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* ix. 25). And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things ; now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible.

R. Thou, O Lord (*people continue**)art my hope even from my youth.

℣. Through thee have been holden up ever since I was born ; thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb ;

℟. Even from my youth.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou, O Lord . . .

℣. The Lord is my shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing ;

℟. He shall feed me in a green pasture.

None:

Ant. The householder said to his labourers, Why stand ye here all the day idle ? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard ; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* ix. 26, 27). I therefore so run, not as uncertainly ; so fight I, not as one that

* So the R. is said at the Hours on Sunday from this day till the end of Lent ; and on all ferias in Lent from the first Monday until Maundy Thursday. See p. 33.

beateth the air; but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection.

R. O cleanse (*people continue**) thou me: from my secret faults.

℣. Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins;

℟. From my secret faults.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. O cleanse thou . . .

℣. Thou hast been my succour;

℟. Leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Sexagesima Sunday

Prime:

Ant. And some seed fell on good ground, and bare fruit: some an hundredfold and some sixtyfold.

Terce:

Ant. Some seed fell on good ground: and brought forth fruit with patience.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* xi. 19, 20). Ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face.

R. *As on Septuagesima Sunday*, p. 113.

Collect.

O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do; Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. When Jesus had said these things, he cried: He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* xi. 23). Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool), I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure; in prisons more frequent; in deaths oft.

R. *As on Septuagesima Sunday*, p. 114.

* So the R. is said at the Hours on Sunday from this day till the end of Lent; and on all ferias in Lent from the first Monday until Maundy Thursday. See p. 33.

None:

Ant. Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God; but to others in parables, saith Jesus to his disciples.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* xi. 29, 30). Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities.

R. *As on Septuagesima Sunday*, p. 115.

Quinquagesima Sunday

Prime:

Ant. As Jesus was journeying on his way unto Jericho: the blind man cried unto him that he might be found meet to receive his sight.

Terce:

Ant. As the Lord passed by, the blind man cried unto him: Thou Son of David, have mercy upon me.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* xiii. 1). Though I speak with the tongues of men and o angels, and have no charity, I am become a sounding brass or a tink ling cymbal.

R. *As on Septuagesim Sunday*, p. 113.

Collect.

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts tha most excellent gift o charity, the very bond o peace and of all virtues without which whosoeve liveth is counted dead be fore thee: Grant this fo thine only Son Jesu Christ's sake, who with thee and the same Hol Ghost liveth.

Sext:

Ant. The blind man sa by the way-side and cried Have mercy upon me thou Son of David.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* xiii. 4 5). Charity suffereth long and is kind; charity en vieth not; charity vaunt eth not itself, is not puffe up, doth not behave itsel

unseemly, seeketh not her own.

R. *As on Septuagesima Sunday*, p. 114.

None :

Ant. The blind man cried so much the more : that the Lord would give him light.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* xiii. 5, 6). Charity is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth.

R. *As on Septuagesima Sunday*, p. 115.

Ash Wednesday

Prime and all the Hours as in the Psalter, with the Collect of Ash Wednesday on this day only.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent ; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

First Sunday in Lent

Prime :

Ant. And when Jesus had fasted forty days and forty nights : he was afterward an hungred.

Terce :

Ant. Man shall not live by bread alone : but by every word of God.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* vi. 1, 2). We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee.

R. Make me (*people continue*) a companion of all them that fear thee : and keep thy commandments.

℣. O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do

unto those that love thy Name ;

℟. And keep thy commandments.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Make me . . .

℣. I will say unto the Lord ;

℟. Thou art my hope and my strong hold, O my God.

Collect.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights ; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext :

Ant. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him : If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* vi. 2, 3). Behold, now is the accepted time ; behold, now the day of salvation. Giving no offence in anything, that the ministry be not blamed.

R. I have refrained (*people continue*) my feet from every evil way : that I may keep thy word, O Lord.

℣. I have not shrunk from thy judgements, for thou teachest me ;

℟. That I may keep thy word, O Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. I have refrained . . .

℣. He shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter ;

℟. And from the noisome pestilence.

None :

Ant. Get thee hence, Satan : thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* vi. 4). In all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience

R. Send forth (*people continue*) thy loving-kindness : unto me, O God.

℣. When thy word goeth forth, it giveth understanding ;

℟. Unto me, O God.

℣. Glory be . . .
℟. Send forth . . .

℣. He shall defend thee under his wings ;
℟. And thou shalt be safe under his feathers.

First Monday in Lent

Prime :

Ant. As I live, saith the Lord, I have no pleasure in the death of a sinner : but rather that he be converted and live.

Terce :

Ant. By the armour of the righteousness of the power of God : let us approve ourselves in much patience.

Chapter (*Joel* ii. 13). Turn unto the Lord your God ; for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

R. Make me (*people continue*) a companion of all them that fear thee : and keep thy commandments.

℣. O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name ;

℟. And keep thy commandments.

℣. Glory be . . .
℟. Make me . . .

℣. I will say unto the Lord ;
℟. Thou art my hope and my strong hold, O my God.

Sext :

Ant. Let us approve ourselves in much patience : in many fastings, by the armour of righteousness.

Chapter (*Isa.* lv. 7). Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts ; and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

R. I have refrained (*people continue*) my feet from every evil way : that I may keep thy word, O Lord.

℣. I have not shrunk from thy judgements, for thou teachest me ;

℟. That I may keep thy word, O Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .
℟. I have refrained . . .

℣. He shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter;
℟. And from the noisome pestilence.

None:

Ant. The days of penitence have come to us: for the breaking off of our sins and our souls' salvation.

Chapter (*Isa.* lviii. 7). Deal thy bread to the hungry and bring the poor that are cast out to thy house. When thou seest the naked, cover him, and hide not thyself from thine own flesh, saith the Lord God Almighty.

R. Send forth (*people continue*) thy loving-kindness: unto me, O God.
℣. When thy word goeth forth, it giveth understanding;
℟. Unto me, O God.
℣. Glory be . . .
℟. Send forth . . .

℣. He shall defend thee under his wings;
℟. And thou shalt be safe under his feathers.

Second Sunday in Lent

Prime:

Ant. The disciples c Jesus came near unto hir and besought him, say ing: Send her away; fo she crieth after us.

Terce:

Ant. I am not sent bu unto the lost sheep of th house of Israel: saith th Lord.

Chapter (1 *Thess.* iv. 1 We beseech you, brethre and exhort you by th Lord Jesus, that as y have received of us ho ye ought to walk and t please God, so ye woul abound more and more.

R. Make me, p. 117.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, wh seest that we hav no power of ourselves t help ourselves; Keep u both outwardly in ou bodies, and inwardly i our souls; that we ma be defended from all ad versities which may hap pen to the body, and fro all evil thoughts whic may assault and hurt th soul; through Jesus Chris our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. O woman, great is thy faith : be it unto thee even as thou wilt.

Chapter (1 *Thess.* iv. 3, 4). For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication ; that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour.

R. I have refrained, p. 118.

None:

Ant. Depart, O woman ; already I have said unto thee : If thou wilt believe, thou shalt see wondrous things.

Chapter (1 *Thess.* iv. 6). This is the will of God ; that no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter : because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.

R. Send forth, p. 118.

Third Sunday in Lent

Prime:

Ant. If I by the finger of God cast out devils : no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.

Terce:

Ant. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace : his goods are in peace.

Chapter (*Eph.* v. 1). Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children ; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour.

R. It is good for me, O Lord (*people continue*) that I have been in trouble : the law of thy mouth is dearer unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

℣. Thy hands have made me and fashioned me ; O give me understanding that I may learn thy commandments ;

℟. The law of thy mouth . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. It is good . . .

℣. I will say unto the Lord, thou art my hope and my strong hold ;

℟. My God, in him will I trust.

Collect.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. He that gathereth not with me scattereth: and he that is not with me is against me.

Chapter (*Eph.* v. 3). But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named amongst you, as becometh saints.

R. I am (*people continue*) thy servant: grant me understanding, O Lord.

℣. That I may know thy testimonies;

℟. Grant me . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. I am thy servant . . .

℣. He shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter;

℟. And from the noisome pestilence.

None:

Ant. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man: it walketh through dry places seeking rest and findeth none.

Chapter (*Eph.* v. 5). For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

R. Seven times a day (*people continue*) do I praise thee, O Lord: my God, cast me not away.

℣. I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost: O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments;

℟. My God, cast . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Seven times . . .

℣. He shall defend thee under his wings;

℟. And thou shalt be safe under his feathers.

Monday after the Third Sunday in Lent

And on ferias until Passion Sunday, except that the Collect changes with the week

Prime:

Ant. As I live, saith the Lord, I have no pleasure in the death of a sinner : but rather that he be converted and live.

Terce:

Ant. By the armour of the righteousness of the power of God : let us approve ourselves in much patience.

Chapter (*Isa.* i. 16, 17). Wash you, make you clean ; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes ; cease to do evil, learn to do well.

R. It is good for me, O Lord, (*people continue*) that I have been in trouble : the law of thy mouth is dearer unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

℣. Thy hands have made me and fashioned me ; O give me understanding that I may learn thy commandments ;

℟. The law of thy mouth . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. It is good . . .

℣. I will say unto the Lord, thou art my hope and my strong hold ;

℟. My God, in him will I trust.

Sext:

Ant. Let us approve ourselves in much patience : in many fastings, by the armour of righteousness.

Chapter (*Isa.* i. 17, 18). Seek judgement, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now and let us reason together, saith the Lord.

R. I am (*people continue*) thy servant : grant me understanding, O Lord.

℣. That I may know thy testimonies ;

℟. Grant me . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. I am thy servant . . .

℣. He shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter ;

℟. And from the noisome pestilence.

None:

Ant. The days of penitence have come to us : for the breaking off of our

sins and our souls' salvation.

Chapter (*Isa.* i. 18). Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

R. Seven times a day (*people continue*) do I praise thee, O Lord: my God, cast me not away.

℣. I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost: O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments;

℟. My God, cast me not away.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Seven times . . .

℣. He shall defend thee under his wings;

℟. And thou shalt be safe under his feathers.

Prime and the Hours are thus said on all ferias till Passion Sunday.

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Prime:

Ant. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples: and the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh.

Terce:

Ant. And Jesus took the loaves: and, when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down: and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

Chapter (*Gal.* iv. 22, 23). It is written that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise.

R. It is good for me p. 121.

Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. With the five barley loaves and two fishes did the Lord satisfy five thousand men.

Chapter (*Gal.* iv. 27). Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

R. I am thy servant, p. 122.

None:

Ant. The Lord did satisfy five thousand men: with the five barley loaves and the two fishes.

Chapter (*Gal.* iv. 28–30). Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now. Nevertheless, what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son.

R. Seven times a day, p. 122.

Passion Sunday

Prime:

Ant. I have not a devil: but I honour my Father, saith the Lord.

Till Wednesday in Holy Week the **R.** *is not said, but immediately after* ℟. Thanks be to God, *to the Chapter at Prime there follows,*

℣. O Lord, arise, help us;

℟. And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Terce:

Ant. I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth.

Chapter (*Heb.* ix. 11, 12). Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

R. Deliver (*people continue*) my soul, O God, from the sword: and my darling from the power of the dog.

℣. Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man; and preserve me from the wicked man;

℟. And my darling . . .

The Gloria Patri *is omitted.*

℟. Deliver my soul . . .

℣. Save me from the lion's mouth ;

℟. Thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

Collect.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people ; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext :

Ant. Verily, verily, I say unto you : If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death.

Chapter (*Heb.* ix. 14). The blood of Christ, who, through the eternal Spirit, offered himself without spot to God, shall purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

R. Save me (*people continue*) from the lion's mouth : thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

℣. Deliver my soul fro the sword, my darlin from the power of th dog ;

℟. Thou hast heard . .

℟. Save me from th lion's mouth : thou has heard me also from amon the horns of the unicorns

℣. O God, shut not u my soul with the sinners

℟. Nor my life with th blood-thirsty.

None :

Ant. Your father Abra ham rejoiced to see m day : and he saw it, an was glad.

Chapter (*Heb.* ix. 15) And for this cause Chris is the Mediator of the nev testament, that by mean of death, for the redemp tion of the transgression that were under the firs testament, they which ar called might receive th promise of eternal inheri tance.

R. Princes (*people con tinue*) have persecuted m without a cause, but m heart standeth in awe o thy word : I am glad o thy word.

℣. As one that findeth great spoils ;

℟. I am glad of thy word.

℟. Princes have persecuted me without a cause, but my heart standeth in awe of thy word : I am glad of thy word.

℣. Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man ;

℟. And preserve me from the wicked man.

Monday after Passion Sunday

Prime :

Ant. The souls of the ungodly were raging against my life : and my heart within me is sore distressed thereat.

Terce :

Ant. Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul : thou hast redeemed my life, O Lord, my God.

Chapter (*Isa.* l. 6, 7). I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help me ; therefore shall I not be confounded.

R. Deliver (*people continue*) my soul, O God, from the sword : and my darling from the power of the dog.

℣. Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man : and preserve me from the wicked man ;

℟. And my darling . . .

℟. Deliver my soul, O God, from the sword, and my darling from the power of the dog.

℣. Save me from the lion's mouth ;

℟. Thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

Sext :

Ant. O my people, what have I done unto thee : and wherein have I wearied thee ? testify against me.

Chapter (*Isa.* l. 7). For the Lord God will help me ; therefore shall I not be confounded : therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

R. Save me (*people continue*) from the lion's mouth : thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

℣. Deliver my soul from

the sword, my darling from the power of the dog;

℟. Thou hast heard . . .

℟. Save me from the lion's mouth; thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

℣. O God, shut not up my soul with the sinners;

℟. Nor my life with the blood-thirsty.

None:

Ant. Shall evil be recompensed for good: for they have digged a pit for my soul.

Chapter (*Jer.* xvii. 18). Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be confounded; let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed; bring upon them the day of evil and destroy them with double destruction.

R. Princes (*people continue*) have persecuted me without a cause, but my heart standeth in awe of thy word: I am glad of thy word.

℣. As one that findeth great spoils;

℟. I am glad of thy word.

℟. Princes have persecuted me without a cause, but my heart standeth in awe of thy word: I am glad of thy word.

℣. Deliver me, O Lord from the evil man;

℟. And preserve me from the wicked man.

Thus Prime, Terce, Sext and None are said on all Ferias throughout the week and up to Wednesday in Holy Week inclusive, except that the **R.** *and* ℣. *and Collect are changed on and after Palm Sunday.*

Palm Sunday

Prime:

Ant. Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is the King of Israel, that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the Highest.

Terce:

Ant. The children of the Hebrews cast their garments in the way: and cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Chapter (*Phil.* ii. 5–7). Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus; who, being in the form of God, thought it no

robbery to be equal with God ; but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant.

R. He hath put (*people continue*) my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance : are verily estranged from me.

℣. My friends and my neighbours ;

℟. Are verily . . .

℟. He hath put my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance : are verily estranged from me.

℣. Deliver my soul from the sword ;

℟. And my darling from the power of the dog.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility ; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. The children of the Hebrews, bearing branches of palm trees, went forth to meet the Lord, crying out and saying : Hosanna in the Highest.

Chapter (*Phil.* ii. 8). Christ humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

R. Give heed (*people continue*) to me, O Lord, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me : shall evil be recompensed for good ? for they have digged a pit for my soul.

℣. Remember that I stood before thee to speak good for them, and to turn away thy wrath from them ;

℟. Shall evil . . .

℟. Give heed to me, O Lord, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me : shall evil be recompensed for good ? for they have digged a pit for my soul.

℣. Save me from the lion's mouth ;

℟. Thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

None :

Ant. All men greatly praise thy Name and say, Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord : Hosanna in the highest.

Chapter (*Phil.* ii. 9, 10). Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name ; that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth.

R. Save me, (*people continue*) O God, for the waters are come in, even unto my soul. And hide not thy face from thy servant : for I am in trouble. Hear me, O my God.

℣. Draw nigh unto my soul and save it : O deliver me because of mine enemies ;

℟. For I am in trouble. Hear me, O my God.

℟. Save me, O God, for the waters are come in, even unto my soul. And hide not thy face from thy servant : for I am in trouble. Hear me, O my God.

℣. O shut not up my soul with the sinners ;

℟. Nor my life with the blood-thirsty.

Monday before Easter

All as on the Monday after Passion Sunday, except that the **R.** *and* ℣. *and Collect are those of Palm Sunday. Sext are said Prime, Terce, Sext and None also on Tuesday and Wednesday.*

Maundy Thursday

On this and the two days following the ℣℣., ℟℟., *and hymns are omitted at the beginning of the Hours, and immediately after the Lord's Prayer the psalms are said without Antiphon or* Glory be to the Father . . .

The following versicle is then said, all kneeling, Christ became obedient for us unto death ; even the death of the cross, *followed by* Our Father . . . (*silently*), Ps. li. Miserere (p. 216) *without* Gloria. *Then follows the Collect without* The Lord be with you *or* Let us pray, *and so each service ends.*

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Good Friday

The Hours are said as on Maundy Thursday but without note, and the Collect without Who now liveth, etc.

Easter Even

The Hours are said in a low voice, and as on Good Friday, except the

Collect.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Easter Day

Prime and the Hours begin with the customary prayers: the ℣. *and* ℟. *and* Gloria Patri *are again said, but there are no Antiphons to the psalms and no hymn. After the psalms shall be said the Gradual.*

Prime:

Ps. liv. *Deus in nomine.*
Ps. cxix. *Beati immaculati. Retribue servo tuo.*

Gradual. This is the day (*people continue*) which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it.

℣. The Lord be with you;
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Satisfy us . . . (*and the rest as in the Psalter*).

So is Prime said until Low Sunday.

Terce, Sext, and None:

Gradual (as at Prime).

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life ; We humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Terce, Sext, and None are thus said throughout the week. No Saint's-day is kept during the week.

Low Sunday

The hymns are again said, with the following Doxology until the Ascension :

O Lord of all, with us abide
In this our joyful Eastertide ;
From every weapon deadly that
can wield
Thine own redeemed for evermore
shield.

All praise be thine, O risen
Lord,
From death to endless life
restored ;
All praise to God the Father
be
And Holy Ghost eternally.
Amen.

Prime:

Hymn. Jam lucis, *with Easter Doxology.*

Ant. The angel of the Lord descended from heaven : and came and rolled back the stone, and sat upon it, alleluia, alleluia.

Ps. liv. *Deus in nomine.*
Ps. cxix. *Beati immaculati. Retribue servo tuo.*

Chapter (1 *Tim.* i. 17). Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

R. Jesu Christ, Son of the living God : have mercy upon us, alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Thou who hast risen from the dead ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .
℟. Jesu Christ, Son . . .

℣. O Lord, arise, help us, alleluia;
℟. And deliver us for thy Name's sake, alleluia.

This **R.** *is used daily till the Ascension. The rest as usual.*

Terce:

Hymn. Nunc Sancte, nobis, Spiritus, p. 55, *with Easter Doxology.*

Ant. And behold, there was a great earthquake : for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *St. John* v. 4). Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world : and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

R. The Lord is risen : alleluia, alleluia.
℣. As he said unto you;
℟. Alleluia, alleluia.
℣. Glory be . . .
℟. The Lord . . .

℣. The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia;
℟. And hath appeared unto Simon, alleluia.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification; Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Hymn. Rector potens, verax Deus, p. 62, *with Easter Doxology.*

Ant. His countenance was like lightning : and his raiment white as snow, alleluia, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *St. John* v. 5, 6). Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ.

R. The Lord is risen indeed : alleluia, alleluia.
℣. And hath appeared unto Simon;
℟. Alleluia, alleluia.
℣. Glory be . . .
℟. The Lord . . .

℣. The Lord is risen from the tomb, alleluia;

℟. Who for our sakes hung upon the tree, alleluia.

None:

Hymn. Rerum, Deus, tenax vigor, p. 68, *with Easter Doxology.*

Ant. For fear of him the keepers did shake : and became as dead men, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *St. John* v. 8). And there are three that bear witness, the spirit, and the water, and the blood :, and these three agree in one.

R. The Lord is risen from the tomb : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Who for our sakes hung upon the tree ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Lord . . .

℣. In thy resurrection, O Christ, alleluia ;

℟. Let heaven and earth rejoice, alleluia.

Note that on all Sundays in Eastertide the Hours are thus said, except that the Chapters and Collect change each week. The Hours on Ferias are said as on Sundays, except that the Antiphon is as follows :

Ant. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Second Sunday after Easter

As on Low Sunday, except

Terce:

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* ii. 21-22). Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps : who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life : Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life : through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* ii. 23-24). He committed him

self to him that judgeth righteously : who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree : by whose stripes ye were healed.

None :

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* ii. 25). Ye were as sheep going astray ; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

Third Sunday after Easter

As on Low Sunday, except

Terce :

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* ii. 11). I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness ; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same ; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth.

Sext :

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* ii. 13, 14). Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake : whether it be to the king, as supreme ; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.

None :

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* ii. 15). The will of God is that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men.

Fourth Sunday after Easter

As on Low Sunday, excep

Terce :

Chapter (*St. Jas.* i. 17). Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Chapter (*St. Jas.* i. 19). Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.

None:

Chapter (*St. Jas.* i. 21). Lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

Fifth Sunday after Easter

As on Low Sunday, except

Terce:

Chapter (*St. Jas.* i. 22-23). Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass.

Collect.

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ who liveth.

Sext:

Chapter (*St. Jas.* i. 25). But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

None:

Chapter (*St. Jas.* i. 27). Pure religion and undefiled before God and the

Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

The Ascension of our Lord

Doxology to all hymns until Whitsunday.

Be thou our joy and thou our guard,
As thou wilt be our great reward ;
Our glory and our boast in thee
For ever and for ever be.

All glory, Lord, to thee we pay,
Ascending o'er the stars to-day ;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete.
Amen.

Prime :

Ant. Ye men of Galilee: why gaze ye up into heaven ? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven shall so come, alleluia.

Ps. liv. *Deus in nomine.*
Ps. cxix. *Beati immaculati. Retribue servo tuo.*

Chapter (1 *Tim.* i. 17). Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

R. Jesu Christ, Son of the living God : have mercy upon us, alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father ;
℟. Alleluia, alleluia.
℣. Glory be . . .
℟. Jesu Christ, Son . . .

℣. O Lord, arise, help us, alleluia ;
℟. And deliver us for thy Name's sake, alleluia.

Terce :

Ant. And they looked stedfastly towards heaven : as he went up, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* i. 1, 2). The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen.

R. Thou hast set thy glory above the heavens : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou hast . . .

℣. God is gone up with a merry noise, alleluia;

℟. And the Lord with the sound of the trump, alleluia.

Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext:

Ant. He lifted up his hands, and was carried up into heaven: and he blessed them, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* i. 4). He, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

R. God is gone up with a merry noise: alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And the Lord with the sound of the trump;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. God is gone up . . .

℣. Christ is gone up on high, alleluia;

℟. And hath led captivity captive, alleluia.

None:

Ant. While they beheld he was taken up: and a cloud received him into heaven, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* i. 5). For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

R. Christ is gone up on high: alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And hath led captivity captive;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Christ is gone up . .

℣. I ascend to my Father and your Father, alleluia;

℟. To my God and your God, alleluia.

Prime and the Hours are thus said, except on Sunday, until the Octave; and on Friday and Saturday before Whitsunday all is said as on Sunday after Ascension Day.

Sunday after Ascension Day

Prime:

All as on Ascension Day.

At Terce, Sext, and None, all as on Ascension Day except the Chapters and Collect.

Terce:

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* iv. 7, 8). Be ye sober and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

Collect.

O GOD the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext:

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* iv. 9, 10). Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

None:

Chapter (1 *St. Pet.* iv. 11). If any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Whitsunday

and throughout the week.

DOXOLOGY

To be said to all hymns of this metre, except Veni, Creator, *until Trinity Sunday.*

Thou once in every holy breast
Didst bid in-dwelling grace to rest;

This day our sins we pray release,
And in our time, O Lord, give peace.

To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit praise be done;
And Christ the Lord upon us pour
The Spirit's gift for evermore. Amen.

Prime:

Ant. When the day of Pentecost was fully come: they were all with one accord, alleluia.

The rest as on Ascension Day, p. 137.

Terce:

The first verse of the following hymn may be said kneeling.

HYMN

Veni, Creator Spiritus.

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessèd unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;

Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace;
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but One;
That, through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song;

Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Or this:

HYMN

Veni, Creator Spiritus.

COME, O Creator Spirit, come,
And make within our hearts thy home;
To us thy grace celestial give,
Who of thy breathing move and live.

O Comforter, that name be thine,
Of God most high the gift divine;
The well of life, the fire of love,
Our souls' anointing from above.

Thou dost appear in sevenfold dower
The sign of God's almighty power;
The Father's promise, making rich
With saving truth our earthly speech.

Our senses with thy light inflame,
Our hearts to heavenly love reclaim;
Our bodies' poor infirmity
With strength perpetual fortify.

Our mortal foe afar repel,
Grant us henceforth in peace to dwell;
And so to us, with thee for guide,
No ill shall come, no harm betide.

May we by thee the Father learn,
And know the Son, and thee discern,
Who art of both; and thus adore
In perfect faith for evermore.
Amen.

This hymn is said instead of Nunc, Sancte, nobis *on Whitsunday and throughout the week.*

Ant. The Spirit of the Lord : filleth the world, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* ii. 1). When the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

R. The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world; alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice.

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Spirit . . .

℣. The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, alleluia.

℟. Shall teach you all things, alleluia.

Collect.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext:

Ant. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost :

and began to speak, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* ii. 2). Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

R. The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Shall teach you all things ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Comforter . . .

℣. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, alleluia ;

℟. And began to speak, alleluia.

None :

Ant. The Apostles did speak with other tongues : the wonderful works of God, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* ii. 3). There appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

R. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And began to spea

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. They were . . .

℣. The Apostles c speak with other tongu alleluia;

℟. The wonderful wor of God, alleluia.

Trinity Sunday

Prime :

Ant. O holy, and ble ed and glorious Trini Father and Son, and Ho Spirit.

Deus in nomine.
Beati and *Retribue.*
Quicunque vult,
all under this Antiphon ; a the rest as in the Psalter.

Terce :

Ant. O holy, blesse and glorious Trinity : F ther, Son, and Holy Spir

Chapter (*Rom.* xi. 3 36). O the depth of t riches both of the wisd and knowledge of Go For of him, and throu him, and to him are things : to whom be glo for ever. Amen.

R. Let us bless the Father and the Son : with the Holy Ghost.

℣. Let us praise and magnify him for ever ;

℟. With the Holy Ghost.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Let us bless . . .

℣. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven ;

℟. Above all to be praised and glorified for ever.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine Majesty to worship the Unity ; We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext :

Ant. O very and eternal Trinity, most high God : Father, and Son, and Holy Ghost.

Chapter (*Rev.* iv. 8). Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

R. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

℣. Above all to be praised and glorified for ever ;

℟. In the firmament of heaven.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Blessed art . . .

℣. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made ;

℟. And all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.

None :

Ant. Thee, O Blessed Trinity : all thy creatures rightly praise, and adore, and glorify.

Chapter (*Eph.* iv. 5, 6). There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

R. By the Word of the Lord : were the heavens made.

℣. And all the hosts of

them by the breath of his mouth ;

℟. Were the heavens made.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. By the Word . . .

℣. Blessed be the Name of the Lord ;

℟. From this time forth for evermore.

Feast of Corpus Christi

Christmas Doxology (p. 102) *is used for the hymns.*

Prime:

Ant. Wisdom hath builded her house : she hath mingled her wine and furnished her table, alleluia.

R. *As on Christmas Day*, p. 103.

Terce:

Ant. Thou feddest thine own people with angels' food : and didst give them bread from heaven, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* xi. 23). The Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread : and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat : this is my body which is broken for you.

R. He gave them brea from heaven : allelui alleluia.

℣. So man did eat a gels' food.

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. He gave them . .

℣. He fed them wi the finest wheat-flour, all luia ;

℟. And with honey o of the stony rock did h satisfy them, alleluia.

Collect.

O GOD, who in a wo derful Sacrament ha left us a memorial of th passion ; Grant us, we b seech thee, so to venera the sacred mysteries thy Body and Blood, tha we may ever perceiv within ourselves the fru of thy redemption, wh livest.

Sext:

Ant. Rich is the brea of Christ : providing royal banquet, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* xi. 26 As oft as ye eat this brea and drink this cup, ye d shew the Lord's death t he come.

R. He fed them with the finest wheat-flour : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And with honey out of the stony rock did he satisfy them.

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. He fed . . .

℣. Thou bringest food out of the earth, alleluia ;

℟. And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, alleluia.

None:

Ant. To him that overcometh will I give the hidden manna : and a new name, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* xi. 27). Whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

R. Thou bringest food out of the earth : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And wine that maketh glad the heart of man.

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou bringest . . .

℣. He maketh peace in thy borders, alleluia ;

℟. And filleth thee with the flour of wheat, alleluia.

Sundays after Trinity

Collects.

First Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers ; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Second Sunday after Trinity

O LORD, who never failest to help and govern them whom thou dost bring up in thy stedfast fear and love ; Keep us, we beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Third Sunday after Trinity

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal; Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord, who liveth.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things; Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire, or deserve; Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giv-

ing us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continual

ally to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who liveth.

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity *

STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

* Note that this Collect shall always be said during the week next before Advent.

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NOVEMBER 30

St. Andrew, Apostle and Martyr

Ant. and R., p. 194.

Terce:

Chapter (*Rom.* x. 10). With the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst give such grace unto thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him without delay; Grant unto us all, that we, being called by thy holy word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil thy holy commandments; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Chapter (*Rom.* x. 12). There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved.

None:

Chapter (*Rom.* x. 16) For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

DECEMBER 3

ST. BIRINUS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

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DECEMBER 4

ST. CLEMENT OF ALEXANDRIA, CONFESSOR AND DOCTOR

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DECEMBER 6

ST. NICOLAS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

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DECEMBER 8

CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Christmas Doxology (p. 102) *is used for the hymns.*

Prime:

Ant. Blessed art thou among women : and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

R. *As on Christmas Day*, p. 103.

Terce:

Ant. Behold, the handmaid of the Lord : be it unto me according to thy word.

Chapter (*Isa.* vii. 14). The Lord himself shall give you a sign ; Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call his Name Immanuel.

R. Hail, Mary, full of grace : the Lord is with thee.

℣. Blessed art thou among women ;

℟. The Lord is with thee.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Hail, Mary, full of grace, . . .

℣. Made of a woman God sent forth his Son.

℟. That we might receive the adoption of sons.

Collect.

WE beseech thee, Lord, most mercifully to pour the abundance of thy grace into our hearts, as we commemorate the holy Virgin Mary, Mother of God; and sanctify our bodies in chastity, and our souls in humility and love through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. Blessed art thou which didst believe : there shall be a performance in thee of those things which were told thee from the Lord.

Chapter (*Isa.* xi. 1, 2). There shall come forth a rod out of the stem of

Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots : and the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.

R. Made of a woman : God sent forth his Son.

℣. That we might receive the adoption of sons ;

℟. God sent forth his Son.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Made of a woman . . .

℣. He hath put down the mighty from their seat ;

℟. And hath exalted the humble and meek.

None:

Ant. Whence is this to me : that the mother of my Lord should come to me ?

Chapter (*Isa.* xi. 10). In that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people ; to it shall the Gentiles seek : and his rest shall be glorious.

R. He hath put down the mighty : from their seat.

℣. And hath exalted the humble and meek ;

℟. From their seat.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. He hath put . . .

℣. Since by man came death ;

℟. By man came also the resurrection of the dead.

DECEMBER 13

ST. LUCY, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

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DECEMBER 17

For Ferial Antiphons for December 17 to 23, see p. 98.

DECEMBER 21

St. Thomas, Apostle and Martyr

p. 194.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY and ever-living God, who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in thy Son's resurrection ; Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the

Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

DECEMBER 29

ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP AND MARTYR

p. 195.

Collect.

O GOD, in behalf of whose Church the glorious Archbishop Thomas fell by the swords of wicked men; Grant, we beseech thee, that all who implore his aid may effectually obtain their petitions; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

DECEMBER 31

ST. SILVESTER, POPE AND CONFESSOR

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JANUARY 8

ST. LUCIAN, PRIEST AND MARTYR

Mem. only.

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JANUARY 13

ST. HILARY, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

Mem. only.

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JANUARY 17

ST. ANTONY, ABBOT

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JANUARY 18

ST. PRISCA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

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JANUARY 19

ST. WULFSTAN, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

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JANUARY 20

ST. FABIAN AND ST. SEBASTIAN, MARTYRS

p. 197.

JANUARY 21

ST. AGNES, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

p. 202.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, who hast chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; Grant, we beseech thee, that we by the commemoration of thy holy Virgin and Martyr Agnes may glory in thy power through Jesus Christ our

Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

JANUARY 22

ST. VINCENT, DEACON AND MARTYR

p. 195.

JANUARY 25

Conversion of St. Paul

Prime:

Ant. Saul, who also is called Paul, the great preacher, being strengthened by God : mightily convinced the Jews, shewing that this is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Terce:

Ant. Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me : that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

Chapter (*Acts* ix. 1, 3). Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, as he journeyed, came near Damascus : and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven.

R., p. 195.

Collect.

O GOD, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world ; Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. Ananias put his hands on him, and straightway there fell from his eyes as it had been scales : and he received sight forthwith, and arose and was baptized ; and, when he had received meat, he was strengthened.

Chapter (*Acts* ix. 11, 15). Go thy way, Ananias, and enquire for Saul ; for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my Name

before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel.

R., p. 195.

None:

Ant. Paul entered into the synagogues and preached Jesus to the Jews : proving that this is Christ.

Chapter (*Acts* ix. 17). And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house ; and putting his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

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JANUARY 26

ST. POLYCARP, BISHOP AND MARTYR

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JANUARY 27

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

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FEBRUARY 1

ST. IGNATIUS, BISHOP AN MARTYR

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FEBRUARY 2

Purification of St. Mar the Virgin

Christmas Doxology (p. 10 *is used for the hymns.*

Prime:

Ant. Simeon was ju and devout, waiting f the consolation of Israe and the Holy Ghost w upon him.

R. *As on Christmas Da* p. 103.

Terce:

Ant. It was revealed u to him by the Holy Ghos that he should not s death before he had see the Lord.

Chapter (*Mal.* iii. 1 Behold, I will send m messenger, and he sha prepare the way befo me : and the Lord, who ye seek, shall suddenl come to his temple, eve the messenger of the cov nant, whom ye delight in

R. This is the Lord doing : and it is marve lous in our eyes.

℣. The same stone, which the builders refused, is become the head stone of the corner.

℟. And it is marvellous . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. This is . . .

℣. He hath put a new song in my mouth ;

℟. Even a thanksgiving unto our God.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. Simeon took up the Child in his hands : and blessed the Lord, giving thanks.

Chapter (*Mal.* iii. 2, 3). For he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap ; and he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver ; and he shall purify the sons of Levi.

R. He hath put : a new song in my mouth.

℣. Even a thanksgiving unto our God ;

℟. A new song in my mouth.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. He hath put . . .

℣. I will declare thy righteousness ;

℟. In the great congregation.

None:

Ant. Mine eyes have seen thy salvation : which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.

Chapter (*Mal.* iii. 3). And he shall purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

R. I will declare : thy righteousness.

℣. In the great congregation ;

℟. Thy righteousness.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. I will declare . . .

℣. Let them now that fear the Lord confess ;

℟. That his mercy endureth for ever.

FEBRUARY 3

ST. BLASIUS, BISHOP AND MARTYR

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Mem. ST. ANSKAR, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

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FEBRUARY 4

ST. GILBERT, ABBOT

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FEBRUARY 5

ST. AGATHA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

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ST. CYRIL, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

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FEBRUARY 10

ST. SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

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FEBRUARY 14

ST. VALENTINE, BISHOP AND MARTYR

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FEBRUARY 24

St. Matthias, Apostle and Martyr

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Collect.

O ALMIGHTY Goo who into the plac of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful ser vant Matthias to be the number of the twelv Apostles; Grant that th Church, being alway pre served from false Apostles may be ordered and guid ed by faithful and tru pastors; through Jesu Christ our Lord, wh liveth.

MARCH 1

ST. DAVID, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

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MARCH 2

ST. CHAD, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

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MARCH 7

ST. PERPETUA AND HER COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

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Collect.

O GOD, the strength c them that strive an the palm of martyrs, wh didst confirm thy hand maid Perpetua and he

companions with wonderful courage against the fierceness of their torments; Grant, we pray thee, that as thou dost gladden us by their triumph, so thou wouldest defend us evermore in all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

MARCH 8

ST. THOMAS OF AQUIN, CONFESSOR AND DOCTOR

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MARCH 9

ST. GREGORY, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

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MARCH 10

THE FORTY HOLY MARTYRS

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ST. GREGORY, POPE, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

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MARCH 17

ST. PATRICK, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

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MARCH 18

ST. EDWARD, KING AND MARTYR

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Collect.

O GOD, the conqueror of an eternal kingdom, mercifully behold thy servants who celebrate the martyrdom of King Edward; and grant that as thou didst vouchsafe to receive him to heavenly glory, so we may be partakers of the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Mem. ST. CYRIL, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

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MARCH 19

ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE B.V.M.

Alleluia *is added if the Feast is translated into Eastertide.*

Prime:

Ant. Now the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year : at the feast of the Passover.

Terce:

Ant. As they returned the Child Jesus tarried

behind in Jerusalem : and Joseph and his mother knew not of it.

Chapter (*Prov.* xxviii, xxvii). A faithful man shall abound with blessings; so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

R. He made him lord : also of his house.

℣. And ruler of all his substance ;

℟. Also of his house.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. He made . . .

℣. His honour is great in thy salvation ;

℟. Glory and great worship shalt thou lay upon him.

Collect.

O LORD, who didst appoint blessed Joseph to be the foster-father of thine only-begotten Son, and the guardian of his Virgin Mother ; Keep us, we beseech thee, under the perpetual care of thy divine providence ; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him : and after three days they found him in the temple.

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xlv. 4). He was beloved of God and men, whose memorial is blessed. He sanctified him in his faithfulness and meekness, and chose him out of all men.

R. His honour is great in thy salvation.

℣. Glory and great worship shalt thou lay upon him ;

℟. In thy salvation.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. His honour . . .

℣. The righteous shall blossom as a lily ;

℟. He shall flourish for ever before the Lord.

None:

Ant. Jesus went down with them, and came to Nazareth : and was subject unto them.

Chapter (*Wisdom* x. 10). When the righteous fled wisdom guided him in right paths, shewed him the kingdom of God, and gave him knowledge of holy things, made him rich in his travels, and

multiplied the fruit of his labours.

R. The righteous shall blossom : as a lily.

℣. He shall flourish for ever before the Lord ;

℟. As a lily.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The righteous . . .

℣. He is planted in the house of the Lord ;

℟. In the courts of the house of our God.

MARCH 20

ST. CUTHBERT, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

MARCH 21

ST. BENEDICT, ABBOT

p. 200.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY, everlasting God, who on this day didst deliver the blessed Benedict from the burden of the flesh ; Hereafter grant unto us, thy unworthy servants, to have our share in the company of the blessed ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

MARCH 25

The Annunciation of our Lady

Christmas Doxology (p. 102). *If translated into Eastertide* Alleluia *is added.*

Prime:

Ant. The angel of the Lord brought tidings unto Mary : and she conceived of the Holy Ghost.

R. *As on Christmas Day*, p. 103.

Terce:

Ant. Fear not, Mary ; thou hast found favour with the Lord : behold, thou shalt conceive and shalt bring forth a Son.

Chapter (*Isa.* vii. 14, 15). Behold a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son, and shall call his name Immanuel ; butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil and to choose the good.

R. Full of grace are thy lips : because God hath blessed thee for ever.

℣. The King shall have pleasure in thy beauty ;

℟. Because God . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Full of grace . . .

℣. In thy grace and in thy beauty go forth ;

℟. Ride prosperously and reign.

Collect.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts ; that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee : and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee.

Chapter (*Isa.* xi. 1, 2). There shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots ; and the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.

R. In thy grace : and in thy beauty go forth.

℣. Ride prosperously and reign ;

℟. And in thy beauty go forth.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. In thy grace . . .

℣. With his countenance God shall help her.

℟. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed.

None:

Ant. Behold, the handmaid of the Lord : be unto me according to thy word.

Chapter (*Isa.* ix. 6). The government shall be upon his shoulder ; and his Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God.

R. With his countenance : God shall help her.

℣. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed ;

℟. God shall help her.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. With his countenance . . .

℣. The virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company ;

℟. And shall be brought unto thee.

APRIL 1

ST. GILBERT, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

APRIL 3

ST. RICHARD, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

APRIL 4

ST. AMBROSE, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 198.

Collect.

O GOD, who gavest Ambrose to thy people to be a minister of eternal life; Grant that we may follow his holy teaching, and be made partakers with him in thine eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

APRIL 11

ST. LEO, POPE, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 198.

APRIL 14

ST. JUSTIN, MARTYR

p. 193 *or* 195.

APRIL 19

ST. ALPHEGE, BISHOP AND MARTYR

p. 193.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst crown the blessed Alphege with the glory of martyrdom; Grant unto his successors and the people under them to serve thee faithfully in their generation, that they may with him rejoice in thy eternal service; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

APRIL 21

ST. ANSELM, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 198.

APRIL 23

ST. GEORGE, MARTYR AND PATRON SAINT OF ENGLAND

p. 193.

Collect.

O GOD, in whom we rejoice to celebrate the festival of thy blessed

Martyr St. George ; Mercifully grant that by thy grace we may share in the stedfastness of his courage, and with him attain to thy everlasting victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

APRIL 25

St. Mark, Evangelist and Martyr

Ant. and **R.**, p. 193.

Terce:

Chapter (*Eph.* iv. 7, 8). Unto every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark ; Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Chapter (*Eph.* iv. 10) He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.

None:

Chapter (*Eph.* iv. 11, 12). And he gave some apostles, and some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers ; for the perfecting of the saints.

APRIL 30

ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN

p. 202.

MAY 1

SS. Philip and James, Apostles and Martyrs

Prime:

Ant. Lord, shew us the Father : and it sufficeth us, alleluia.

Terce:

Ant. He that hath seen me, Philip : hath seen the Father, alleluia.

Chapter and **R.**, p. 193.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that, following the steps of thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. I am the way, the truth, and the life : no man cometh to the Father, but by me, alleluia.

Chapter and **R.,** p. 193.

None:

Ant. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you : ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you, alleluia.

Chapter and **R.,** p. 194.

MAY 2

ST. ATHANASIUS, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 198.

MAY 3

INVENTION OF THE CROSS

Prime:

Ant. O mighty work of love : death died, when Life died upon the tree, alleluia.

Terce:

Ant. Save us, O our Saviour, by the power of the cross : thou who savedst Peter on the sea, have mercy upon us, alleluia.

Chapter (*Gal.* vi. 14). God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

R. The sign of the cross shall be in heaven : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. When the Lord shall come to judgement;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The sign of . . .

℣. Tell it out among the heathen, alleluia;

℟. That the Lord reigneth from the tree, alleluia.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst mount the holy cross, and enlighten the darkness

of the world; Vouchsafe to enlighten our hearts and bodies, thou Saviour of mankind: who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Sext:

Ant. Blessed is the tree: whereby righteousness cometh, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* i. 18). The preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

R. Tell it out among the heathen: alleluia, alleluia.

℣. That the Lord reigneth from the tree;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Tell it out . . .

℣. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee, alleluia;

℟. For by thy cross thou hast redeemed the world, alleluia.

None:

Ant. By the sign of the cross: deliver us from our enemies, O our God, alleluia.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* i. 23, 24). But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling-block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

R. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee alleluia, alleluia.

℣. For by thy cross thou hast redeemed the world;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. We adore . . .

℣. All the world shall worship thee, alleluia.

℟. Sing of thee and praise thy Name, alleluia.

MAY 4

ST. MONICA, MATRON

p. 204.

MAY 6

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST BEFORE THE LATIN GATE

p. 193, *except*

Terce:

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xv. 1, 2). He that feareth the Lord will do good; and he that

hath the knowledge of the law shall obtain her; and as a mother shall she meet him.

Collect.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xv. 3–5). With the bread of understanding shall she feed him, and give him the water of wisdom to drink. He shall be stayed upon her, and shall not be moved; and shall rely upon her, and shall not be confounded. She shall exalt him above his neighbours.

None:

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xv. 5, 6). In the midst of the congregation shall she open his mouth. He shall find joy and a crown of gladness, and she shall cause him to inherit an everlasting name.

MAY 9

ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 198.

MAY 12

ST. PANCRAS, MARTYR

p. 193.

MAY 14

ST. PACHOMIUS, ABBOT

p. 200.

MAY 19

ST. DUNSTAN, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst set thy servant Dunstan to be a guiding light for this Church and nation; Grant that we rejoicing in his festival may both follow the example of his holy life and be aided by his prayers; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

MAY 25

ST. ALDHELM, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

MAY 26

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who of thy tender mercy didst send thy servant Augustine to preach the Gospel to our fathers; Grant unto us their children both to follow the holy doctrine which he taught, and with courage and love to declare thy Name unto the heathen; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

MAY 27

VENERABLE BEDE, PRIEST, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 200.

Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, O Blessed Lord, that we who commemorate thy holy Confessor and Priest, Venerable Bede, may increase in faith and love towards thee, the great Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

MAY 30

ST. JOAN OF ARC, VIRGIN

p. 202.

JUNE 1

ST. NICOMEDE, PRIEST AND MARTYR

p. 193 *or* 195.

JUNE 2

ST. POTHINUS AND HIS COMPANIONS

p. 193 *or* 197.

JUNE 5

ST. BONIFACE, BISHOP AND MARTYR

p. 193 *or* 195.

JUNE 9

ST. COLUMBA, ABBOT

p. 200.

JUNE 10

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND, MATRON

p. 204.

JUNE 11

St. Barnabas, Apostle and Martyr

p. 193 *or* 194.

Collect.

O LORD God Almighty, who didst endue thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost; Leave us not, we beseech thee, destitute of thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

JUNE 14

ST. BASIL, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 198.

JUNE 19

SS. GERVASIUS AND PROTASIUS, MARTYRS

p. 193 *or* 197.

JUNE 20

TRANSLATION OF ST. EDWARD, KING AND MARTYR

p. 195.

Collect.

O GOD, the conqueror of an eternal kingdom, mercifully behold thy servants who celebrate the martyrdom of King Edward; and grant that as thou didst vouchsafe to receive him to heavenly glory, so we may be partakers of the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who livest.

JUNE 22

ST. ALBAN, MARTYR

p. 195.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst hallow this day by the witness of blessed Alban, thy Martyr; Grant, we pray thee, that as we rejoice in his yearly festival, so we may attain to thine eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

JUNE 24

Nativity of St. John Baptist

Prime:

Ant. Elisabeth brought forth a son to Zacharias: John Baptist, the forerunner of the Lord.

Terce:

Ant. They made signs to his father, how he would

have him called, and he wrote, saying : His name is John.

Chapter (*Isa.* xl. 3). The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

R. There was a man : sent from God.

℣. Whose name was John ;

℟. Sent . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. There was . . .

℣. Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater ;

℟. Than John the Baptist.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance ; Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching ; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake ; through Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth.

Sext :

Ant. His name shall be called John : and many shall rejoice at his birth.

Chapter (*Isa.* xl. 9). Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength ; lift it up, be not afraid ; say unto the cities of Juda, Behold your God !

R. Among them that are born of women : there hath not risen a greater

℣. Than John the Baptist ;

℟. There hath not . . .

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Among them . . .

℣. Elisabeth, wife of Zacharias, hath brought forth a great prophet ;

℟. John the Baptist, forerunner of the Lord.

None :

Ant. This child shall be great in the sight of the Lord : for his hand is with him.

Chapter (*Isa.* xl. 10). Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand

and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him.

R. Elisabeth, wife of Zacharias, hath brought forth: a great prophet.

℣. John the Baptist, forerunner of the Lord;

℟. A great prophet.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Elisabeth . . .

℣. This child shall be great in the sight of the Lord;

℟. For the hand of the Lord is with him.

JUNE 28

ST. IRENAEUS, BISHOP AND MARTYR

p. 195.

JUNE 29

St. Peter, Apostle and Martyr

Prime:

Ant. Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer: being the ninth hour.

Terce:

Ant. Silver and gold have I none: but such as I have give I thee.

Chapter (*Acts* xii. 5). Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

R., p. 195.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock; Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. The angel said unto Peter: Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

Chapter (*Acts* xii. 7). The angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison; and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly.

And his chains fell off from his hands.

R., p. 195.

None:

Ant. Thou art Peter : and upon this rock I will build my Church.

Chapter (*Acts* xii. 9). And he went out and followed him ; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel ; but thought he saw a vision.

R., p. 195.

JUNE 30

COMMEMORATION OF S'T. PAUL

Prime:

Ant. I have planted, Apollos watered : but God gave the increase, alleluia.

Terce:

Ant. Gladly will I glory in my infirmities : that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Chapter (2 *Tim.* iv. 7, 8). I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith ; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judg shall give me at that da

R., p. 195.

Collect.

O GOD, who did teach the multitud of the Gentiles by t preaching of blessed Pa thine Apostle ; Grant, v beseech thee, that we w celebrate his birthday m profit by his prayers a doctrine ; through.

Sext:

Ant. The grace of G which was bestowed up me was not in vain : b his grace was with me.

Chapter (2 *Cor.* xii. 9). And lest I should exalted above measu through the abundance my revelations, there w given to me a thorn the flesh, the messeng of Satan to buffet m For this thing I besoug the Lord thrice, that might depart from m And he said unto me, M grace is sufficient for the

R., p. 195.

None:

Ant. Thrice was I bea en with rods, once was

stoned : thrice I suffered shipwreck, for the Name of Christ.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* xv. 9, 10). For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am : and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain.

R., p. 195.

JULY 2

VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

All as on the Feast of the Conception (p. 152) *except the*

Collect.

O GOD, who didst cause the most holy Virgin Mary, mother of thine only-begotten Son, to visit blessed Elisabeth with the grace of mutual comfort ; Mercifully grant unto us thy servants to be comforted by his continual visitation, and sheltered from all adversities by thy protecting power ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

JULY 3

ST. WILLIAM, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

JULY 4

TRANSLATION OF ST. MARTIN, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

JULY 7

TRANSLATION OF ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP AND MARTYR

p. 195.

Collect, p. 154.

JULY 11

TRANSLATION OF ST. BENEDICT, ABBOT

p. 200.

Collect.

INCREASE, we beseech thee, O Lord, in thy servants, the spirit which shone forth in Benedict, thy holy abbot ; that, filled with the same spirit, we may study to love what he loved and in our lives to show forth what he taught ; through.

JULY 15

TRANS. OF ST. SWITHUN, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

JULY 19

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST AND CONFESSOR

p. 200.

JULY 20

ST. MARGARET, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

p. 202.

JULY 22

St. Mary Magdalene

Prime:

Ant. Mary saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus : Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou ? whom seekest thou ?

Terce:

Ant. She supposing him to be the gardener saith unto him : Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

Chapter (*Cant.* iii. 2). I will rise now, and go about the city ; in the streets and in the broad ways I will seek him who my soul loveth.

℟. O God, thou art m God : early will I see thee.

℣. My soul thirsteth f thee, my flesh also longet after thee ;

℟. Early will I see thee.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. O God, thou . . .

℣. I sought the Lor and he heard me ;

℟. Yea, he delivered m out of all my fear.

Collect.

GRANT, we beseec thee, O risen Lor that we who commemo ate the blessed Mary Ma dalene may be healed b thee of all our disease and taught to worshi thee, our Master and ou God ; who livest an reignest with the Fathe and the Holy Ghost, on God for ever and ever *Amen.*

Sext:

Ant. Jesus saith unt her, Mary : she turne herself and saith unt him, Rabboni ; which i to say, Master.

Chapter (*Cant.* viii. 6). Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm : for love is strong as death.

R. I sought the Lord : and he heard me.

℣. Yea, he delivered me out of all my fear ;

℟. And he heard me.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. I sought . . .

℣. In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart ;

℟. Thy comforts have refreshed my soul.

None:

Ant. Go to my brethren, and say unto them : I ascend unto my Father and your Father, and to my God and your God.

Chapter (*Cant.* viii. 7). Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. If a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

R. In the multitude of the sorrows that I had : in my heart.

℣. Thy comforts have refreshed my soul ;

℟. In my heart.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. In the multitude . . .

℣. Lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord ;

℟. And that thou knowest.

JULY 25

St. James, Apostle and Martyr

p. 194.

Collect.

GRANT, O merciful God, that as thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him ; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

JULY 26

ST. ANNE, MOTHER OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

p. 204.

Collect.

O GOD, who on this day didst take to thyself thy servant Anne,

mother of the Blessed Virgin; Grant that we who thus commemorate her may have our share in the communion of saints; through him who did not abhor the Virgin's womb, and now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

AUGUST 1

ST. PETER'S CHAINS

p. 171.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst cause thy holy Apostle Peter to be loosed from his chains and to depart without hurt; Break, we beseech thee, the chains of our sins, and mercifully put away all evil from us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

AUGUST 4

ST. DOMINIC, PRIEST AND CONFESSOR

p. 200.

AUGUST 5

ST. OSWALD, KING AND MARTYR

p. 195.

AUGUST 6

The Transfiguration o our Lord Jesus Chris

Doxology to all hymns :

All glory, Lord, to thee w
pay,
Revealed upon the mou
to-day,
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete

Prime:

Ant. Jesus came nea and touched the disciple as they lay in terror at th voice from heaven, say ing : Arise and be no afraid.

In short **R.** Thou wh didst manifest thyself to day.

Terce:

Ant. Jesus came nea to the disciples as the lay, and touching ther bade them arise, an charged them not to fear and when they arose, the saw no man but Jesu only.

Chapter (1 *St. John* ii 1). Behold what manner c love the Father hath be stowed upon us, that w should be called the son of God : and such we are Therefore the world know

eth us not, because it knew him not.

R. Let us worship the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost : alleluia. alleluia.

℣. Who reigneth in his Majesty ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Let us worship . . .

℣. The day of holiness hath shined upon us, alleluia ;

℟. Come, ye nations, worship the Lord, alleluia.

Collect.

O GOD, who on the mount didst reveal to chosen witnesses thine only-begotten Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistering ; Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the turmoil of this world, may be permitted to behold the King in his beauty ; who with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext :

Ant. That he might receive witness from the law and the prophets : the Lord appeared transfigured between Moses and Elias.

Chapter (1 *St. John* iii. 2). Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be : but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him ; for we shall see him as he is.

R. The day of holiness hath shined upon us : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Come, ye nations, worship the Lord ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The day of . . .

℣. O worship the Lord, alleluia ;

℟. In the beauty of holiness, alleluia.

None :

Ant. While they were going down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying : Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

Chapter (1 *St. John* iii. 3). Every man that hath this hope set on him purifieth

himself, even as he is pure.

R. O worship the Lord: alleluia, alleluia.

℣. In the beauty of holiness;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. O worship . . .

℣. O worship the Lord, alleluia;

℟. All ye angels of his, alleluia.

AUGUST 7

THE NAME OF JESUS

Christmas Doxology (p. 102) *is used for the hymns.*

Prime:

Ant. His Name was called Jesus: which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb, alleluia.

R. *As on Christmas Day*, p. 103.

Terce:

Ant. O praise the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, for it is lovely: and his mercy endureth for ever, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* iv. 10). Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

R. I will praise the Name of the Lord with song: alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And magnify it with thanksgiving;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. I will praise . . .

℣. Praise the Lord, O my soul, alleluia;

℟. And all that is within me praise his holy Name, alleluia.

Collect.

O GOD, who hast made the most glorious Name of thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ most dear to thy faithful people, and a terror to the spirits of evil; Mercifully grant that all who devoutly worship the Name of Jesus upon earth, may receive comfort in this life and in the life to come the joy of everlasting happiness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy

Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sext:

Ant. As long as I live, I will bless thee, O Lord Jesu : and lift up my hands in thy Name, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* iv. 11). This is the stone which was set at naught of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

R. Praise the Lord, O my soul : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And all that is within me praise his holy Name ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Praise the Lord . . .

℣. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, alleluia ;

℟. But unto thy Name give the praise, alleluia.

None:

Ant. Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord : for his Name only is excellent, alleluia.

Chapter (*Acts* iv. 12). Neither is there salvation in any other Name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

R. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. But unto thy Name give the praise ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Not unto us . . .

℣. Blessed be the Name of the Lord, alleluia ;

℟. From this time forth for evermore, alleluia.

AUGUST 10

ST. LAURENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR

p. 195.

Collect.

GRANT us, we beseech thee, Almighty God, grace to quench the flames of our sins ; as thou didst endue the blessed Laurence with power to withstand the fire of his torments ; through.

AUGUST 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Christmas Doxology (p. 102) *is used for the hymns.*

Prime:

Ant. Mary is exalted, the angels rejoice, praising and blessing the Lord.

In the Respond :

℣. Thou who didst vouchsafe to be born of a Virgin.

Terce :

Ant. The Virgin Mary is exalted to the heavenly mansions, wherein the King of kings sitteth on a starry throne.

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xxiv. 7, 8). With all these I sought rest : and in whose inheritance shall I abide ? So the Creator of all things gave me a commandment, and he that made me caused my tabernacle to rest.

R. Upon thy right hand: did stand the queen.

℣. In a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours ;

℟. Did stand the queen.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Upon . . .

℣. God shall give her the help of his countenance ;

℟. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed.

Collect.

FORGIVE, we beseech thee, O Lord, the offences of thy people ; that we, who of ourselve cannot please thee, ma be aided in the way c salvation by the praye of the Mother of thy So our Lord, who liveth.

Sext :

Ant. Blessed art thou, daughter, from the Lor for by thee we have pa taken of the Fruit of Life

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xxi 10, 11). And so was I e tablished in Sion. Lik wise in the beloved cit he gave me rest, and i Jerusalem was my powe

R. God shall give her the help of his counte ance.

℣. God is in the mid of her, therefore shall sh not be removed.

℟. The help of his cou tenance.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. God shall . . .

℣. God hath chos and forechosen her ;

℟. He hath made h to dwell in his tabernacl

None :

Ant. Thou art beauti and comely, O daughter Jerusalem, terrible as army with banners.

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xxiv. 12). And I took root in an honourable people, even in the portion of the Lord's inheritance.

R. God hath chosen : and forechosen her.

℣. He hath made her to dwell in his tabernacle ;

℟. And forechosen her.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. God . . .

℣. The King's daughter is all glorious within ;

℟. Her clothing is of wrought gold.

AUGUST 20

ST. BERNARD, ABBOT, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 200.

AUGUST 24

St. Bartholomew, Apostle and Martyr

p. 194.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst give to thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy word ; Grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, to love that word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

AUGUST 28

ST. AUGUSTINE, BISHOP, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 198.

AUGUST 29

THE BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST

Prime :

Ant. For Herod had laid hold on John and bound him : and put him in prison for Herodias' sake.

Terce :

Ant. She being before instructed of her mother, said : Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger.

Chapter and **R.**, p. 196.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst vouchsafe to thy servant John Baptist to be in birth and death the forerunner of thy Son ; Grant that, as he was slain for truth and righteousness' sake, so we may contend

for the same unto the end; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger: and the king was exceeding sorry for his oath's sake.

Chapter and **R.**, p. 196.

None:

Ant. The king sent an executioner: and commanded him to behead John in the prison.

Chapter and **R.**, p. 196.

AUGUST 31

ST. AIDAN, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

SEPTEMBER 1

ST. GILES, ABBOT

p. 200.

SEPTEMBER 7

ST. EVURTIUS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

SEPTEMBER 8

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

All as on the Feast of the Conception (p. 152) *except the Collect.*

MERCIFUL God, hea the prayers of th servants who commemo ate the Nativity of th Mother of the Lord; an grant that by the incarna tion of thy dear Son, w may be indeed made nig unto him, who liveth an reigneth with thee and th Holy Ghost, ever one Goo world without end. *Amen*

SEPTEMBER 13

ST. CYPRIAN, BISHOP AND MARTYR

p. 195.

SEPTEMBER 14

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Prime:

Ant. O mighty work love: death died whe Life died upon the tree.

Terce:

Ant. Behold, the cro of the Lord, flee, ye tha are against him: the lio of the tribe of Judah hat prevailed, the root David, alleluia.

Chapter (*Gal.* vi. 14 God forbid that I shoul glory, save in the cro

of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me and I unto the world.

℟. The sign of the cross : shall be in heaven.

℣. When the Lord shall come to judgement ;

℟. Shall be in heaven.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The sign of the cross . .

℣. We worship thee, O Christ, and we bless thee ;

℟. Because by thy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst mount the holy cross and enlighten the darkness of the world ; Vouchsafe to enlighten our hearts and bodies, thou Saviour of mankind : who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Sext :

Ant. O wondrous cross : thou bearest our sicknesses and healest our wounds.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* i. 18). The preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness ; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

℟. We worship thee, O Christ : and we bless thee.

℣. Because by thy cross thou hast redeemed the world ;

℟. And we bless thee.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. We worship thee . . .

℣. All the world shall worship thee and sing of thee ;

℟. And praise thy Name, O Lord.

None :

Ant. Thou only art more excellent than all the forests of cedars : whereon hung the Life of the world, whereon Christ triumphed and death overcame death for evermore.

Chapter (1 *Cor.* i. 23, 24). But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling-block, and unto the Greeks foolishness ; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

R. All the world shall worship thee : and sing of thee.

℣. And praise thy Name, O Lord ;

℟. And sing of thee.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. All the world . . .

℣. The sign of the cross shall be in heaven ;

℟. When the Lord shall come to judgement.

SEPTEMBER 16

ST. NINIAN, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

SEPTEMBER 17

ST. LAMBERT, BISHOP AND MARTYR

p. 195.

SEPTEMBER 19

ST. THEODORE, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

SEPTEMBER 21

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

p. 194.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist; Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires, and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

SEPTEMBER 23

ST. THECLA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

p. 202.

SEPTEMBER 29

St. Michael and All Angels

Prime :

Ant. While Michael the archangel fought with the dragon, a voice was heard of them that said : Salvation to our God, alleluia.

Terce :

Ant. While the dragon fought with Michael the archangel, a voice was heard : ten thousand times ten thousand which said, Salvation to our God.

Chapter (*Rev.* i. 1, 2) The Revelation of Jesus

Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John: who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.

R. An angel stood: at the altar of the temple.

℣. Having a golden censer in his hand;

℟. At the altar of the temple.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. An angel . . .

℣. The smoke of the incense ascended up before God;

℟. Out of the angel's hand.

Collect.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as thy holy Angels alway do thee service in heaven, so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. O ye angels of the Lord: bless ye the Lord for evermore.

Chapter (*Rev.* xii. 7, 8). There was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven.

R. The smoke of the incense ascended up: before God.

℣. Out of the angel's hand;

℟. Before God.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The smoke . . .

℣. Before the angels will I sing praise unto thee, my God;

℟. I will worship toward thy holy temple and will praise thy Name.

None:

Ant. Angels, archangels, thrones and dominions, principalities and powers: O all ye hosts of heaven, praise the Lord of heaven, alleluia.

Chapter (*Rev.* xii. 10–12). The accuser of our brethren is cast down; and

they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them.

R. Before the angels : I will sing praise unto thee, my God.

℣. I will worship toward thy holy temple and will praise thy Name ;

℟. I will sing praise unto thee, my God.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Before the angels . . .

℣. Praise the Lord, all ye angels of his ;

℟. Praise him, all his host.

SEPTEMBER 30

ST. JEROME, PRIEST, CONFESSOR, AND DOCTOR

p. 200.

Collect.

O GOD, who through Saint Jerome thy Confessor and Priest hast vouchsafed to make known to us the truth and the hidden meanings of thy holy Scriptures ; Grant, we beseech thee, that we who keep his festival may ever profit by his teaching ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

OCTOBER 1

ST. REMIGIUS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

OCTOBER 2

THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

p. 184.

OCTOBER 4

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, CONFESSOR

p. 200.

Collect.

O GOD, who through thy blessed servant Francis hast enlarged thy Church with a continual increase ; Grant that after his example we may forego the things of earth and ever delight ourselves in thy heavenly bounties through.

OCTOBER 6

ST. FAITH, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

p. 202.

Mem. ST. BRUNO, ABBOT

p. 200.

OCTOBER 9

ST. DENYS AND HIS COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

p. 197.

OCTOBER 10

ST. PAULINUS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

OCTOBER 11

ST. PHILIP, DEACON AND CONFESSOR

p. 200.

OCTOBER 12

ST. WILFRID, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

OCTOBER 13

TRANSLATION OF KING EDWARD THE CONFESSOR

p. 200.

Collect.

O GOD, who hast vouchsafed unto the blessed King Edward thy Confessor a crown of heavenly glory; Grant that we who commemorate him on earth may hereafter reign with him in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

OCTOBER 15

ST. TERESA, VIRGIN

p. 202.

OCTOBER 17

ST. ETHELDREDA, VIRGIN

p. 202.

OCTOBER 18

St. Luke the Evangelist

Ant. and **R.**, p. 194.

Terce:

Chapter (*Ezek.* i. 10). As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul; May it please thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the

doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Chapter (*Ezek.* i. 13). As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of lamps.

None:

Chapter (*Ezek.* i. 13, 14). It went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning. And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

OCTOBER 19

ST. FRIDESWIDE, VIRGIN

p. 202.

OCTOBER 21

ST. HILARION, ABBOT

p. 200.

ST. URSULA AND HER COMPANIONS, VIRGINS AND MARTYRS

Mem. only (p. 202).

OCTOBER 25

ST. CRISPIN AND ST. CRISPINIAN, MARTYRS

p. 197.

OCTOBER 28

SS. Simon and Jude, Apostles and Martyrs

p. 194.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

NOVEMBER 1

All Saints' Day

Prime:

Ant. I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number: of all nations, standing before the throne.

Terce:

Ant. And all the angels stood round about the

throne : and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God.

Chapter (*Rev.* vii. 2, 3). And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God ; and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

R. Be glad, O ye righteous : and rejoice in the Lord.

℣. And be joyful all ye that are true of heart ;

℟. And rejoice in the Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Be glad . . .

℣. Let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God ;

℟. Let them also be merry and joyful.

Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord ; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext :

Ant. Thou hast redeemed us, O Lord God, by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation : and hast made us kings unto our God.

Chapter (*Rev.* vii. 4). I heard the number of them which were sealed ; and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

R. Let the righteous be glad : and rejoice before God.

℣. Let them also be merry and joyful ;

℟. And rejoice before God.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Let the righteous . . .

℣. The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God ;

℟. And there shall no torment touch them.

None :

Ant. All his Saints shall praise him : even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him ; such honour have all his Saints.

Chapter (*Rev.* vii. 9, 10). I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands.

R. The souls of the righteous : are in the hand of God.

℣. And there shall no torment touch them ;

℟. In the hand of God.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The souls . . .

℣. O God, wonderful art thou in thy Saints ;

℟. And glorious in thy majesty.

NOVEMBER 2

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS

Prime to None inclusive are said as follows, each beginning immediately with the Antiphon.

Ant. Rest eternal.

The psalms of each Hour are said without Glory be etc. *The Prime Psalms are* Ps. liv, Ps. cxix (1–32).

Ant. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord : and let light perpetual shine upon them.

The prayers (p. 211) *are then said kneeling. The psalm after* Our Father *is not said.*

Collect.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful ; Grant unto the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins, that through devout supplications they may obtain the pardon they have always desired ; who livest.

Or this :

O LORD, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers ; Grant to the faithful departed all the

unsearchable benefits of thy Son's passion, that in the day of his appearing they may be manifested as thy children; through.

NOVEMBER 3

ST. WINIFRED, VIRGIN

p. 202.

NOVEMBER 6

ST. LEONARD, ABBOT

p. 200.

NOVEMBER 11

ST. MARTIN, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

Collect.

O GOD, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Mercifully grant that at the intercession of blessed Martin, thy Bishop and Confessor, we may be defended against all adversities; through.

NOVEMBER 13

ST. BRITIUS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

NOVEMBER 15

ST. MACHUTUS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

NOVEMBER 16

ST. EDMUND, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

NOVEMBER 17

ST. HUGH, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

p. 198.

Collect.

O GOD, who didst adorn thy blessed Confessor and Bishop Hugh with excellent gifts; Grant unto us to follow his example in all godly virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

NOVEMBER 18

ST. HILDA, VIRGIN

p. 202.

NOVEMBER 19

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, MATRON

p. 204.

NOVEMBER 20

ST. EDMUND, KING AND MARTYR

p. 195.

Collect.

O GOD, who hast vouchsafed unto the blessed King Edmund thy Martyr a crown of heavenly glory; Grant that we who commemorate him here on earth may hereafter reign with him in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and th Holy Ghost, ever one God world without end. *Amen*

NOVEMBER 22

ST. CECILIA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

p. 202.

NOVEMBER 23

ST. CLEMENT OF ROME, POPE AND MARTYR

p. 195.

NOVEMBER 25

ST. CATHARINE OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGIN AN MARTYR

p. 202.

COMMON OF SAINTS

On Vigils

The office will be of the Feria.

Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, almighty God: that the festival of blessed . . . which we prevent, may be for the increase of our devotion and the salvation of our souls; through.

Of Apostles and Evangelists and Martyrs

In Eastertide

(*i.e. from Low Sunday to Trinity Sunday.*)

Prime:

Ant. Thy saints, O Lord, shall flourish as a lily, alleluia: and as the odour of balsam shall they be before thee, alleluia.

Terce:

Ant. Ye holy and righteous, rejoice in the Lord, alleluia: God hath chosen you to him for his inheritance, alleluia.

Chapter (*Wisdom* v. 1). Then shall the righteous stand in great boldness before the face of such as have afflicted them, and made no account of their labours.

R. Your sorrow shall be turned into joy: alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And your joy no man taketh from you.

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Your sorrow . . .

℣. They shall obtain joy and gladness, alleluia;

℟. And sorrow and sighing shall flee away, alleluia.

Sext:

Ant. Within the veil, O Lord, thy saints do cry: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Chapter (*Wisdom* v. 5). How are they numbered

among the children of God, and their lot is among the saints !

R. They shall obtain joy and gladness : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. And sorrow and sighing shall flee away :

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. They shall obtain . . .

℣. Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous, alleluia ;

℟. For it becometh well the just to be thankful, alleluia.

None :

Ant. In the heavenly kingdom the blessed have their dwelling, alleluia : and their rest for ever and ever, alleluia.

Chapter (*Rom.* viii. 28). We know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.

R. Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous : alleluia, alleluia.

℣. For it becometh well the just to be thankful ;

℟. Alleluia, alleluia.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Rejoice in . . .

℣. The voice of jo and health, alleluia ;

℟. Is in the dwellings the righteous, alleluia.

The Collect shall be take from the Proper of Saint if there be any ; or else fro the Common.

Of Apostles and Evan gelists

Out of Eastertide

Prime :

Ant. This is my com mandment : that ye lov one another, as I hav loved you.

Terce :

Ant. Greater love hat no man than this : that man lay down his life fo his friends.

Chapter (*Eph.* ii. 19, 20) Now therefore ye are n more strangers and for eigners, but fellow-citizen with the saints, and of th household of God ; an are built upon the founda tion of the apostles an prophets.

R. Their sound is gone out : into all lands.

℣. And their words into the ends of the world ;

℟. Into all lands.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Their sound . . .

℣. Thou shalt make them princes in all lands ;

℟. They shall remember thy Name, O Lord.

Sext :

Ant. Ye are my friends : if ye do whatsoever I command you, saith the Lord.

Chapter (*Acts* v. 12, 13). By the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; but the people magnified them.

R. Thou shalt make them princes : in all lands.

℣. They shall remember thy Name, O Lord ;

℟. In all lands.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou shalt make . . .

℣. Exceedingly honoured : are thy friends, O Lord ;

℟. Surely established in their pre-eminence.

None :

Ant. In your patience : possess ye your souls.

Chapter (*Acts* v. 41). And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his Name.

R. Exceedingly honoured : are thy friends, O Lord.

℣. Surely established in their pre-eminence ;

℟. Are thy friends, O Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Exceedingly . . .

℣. All men that see it shall say, This hath God done ;

℟. For they shall perceive that it is his work.

Of a Martyr

Out of Eastertide

Prime :

Ant. Whosoever, therefore, shall confess me before men : him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

Terce:

Ant. He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness : but shall have the light of life, saith the Lord.

Chapter (*St. Jas.* i. 2). Blessed is the man that endureth temptation, for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

R. With honour and glory : thou hast crowned him, O Lord.

℣. Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands;

℟. Thou hast crowned him, O Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. With honour . . .

℣. Thou hast set a crown of pure gold ;

℟. Upon his head, O Lord.

Collect.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, to grant us, at the intercession of blessed *N.*, thy martyr, constancy in thy faith and truth, that being grounded in divine love, we may be moved from its perfection by no temptations ; through.

Sext:

Ant. If any man serve me : he shall be honoured of my Father, which is heaven, saith the Lord.

Chapter (*Heb.* xi. 37, 38) They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword, being destitute afflicted, tormented : of whom the world was not worthy.

R. Thou hast set : crown of pure gold.

℣. Upon his head, Lord ;

℟. A crown of pure gold.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou hast set . . .

℣. His honour is great in thy salvation ;

℟. Glory and great worship hast thou laid upon him.

None:

Ant. Father, I will that where I am : there also may my servant be.

Chapter (*Heb.* xii. 1, 2) Seeing we also are compassed about with so great

a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.

R. His honour is great in thy salvation.

℣. Glory and great worship hast thou laid upon him ;

℟. In thy salvation.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. His honour . . .

℣. The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree ;

℟. And shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.

Of Many Martyrs Out of Eastertide

Prime :

Ant. O ye martyrs of the Lord : bless ye the Lord for ever.

Terce :

Ant. Bearing their palms, the saints attained to the kingdom : and received from the Lord's hand their crowns of glory.

Chapter (*Wisdom* iii. 1–3). The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die, but they are in peace.

R. Be glad, O ye righteous : and rejoice in the Lord.

℣. And be joyful, all ye that are true of heart ;

℟. And rejoice in the Lord.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Be glad . . .

℣. Let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God ;

℟. Let them also be merry and joyful.

Collect.

O GOD, who makest us glad by the yearly solemnity of thy holy martyrs *N.* and *N.* ; Mercifully grant that as we rejoice in their merits, we may be inspired by their example and helped by their prayers ; through.

Sext :

Ant. The bodies of the saints are buried in peace :

and their name liveth for evermore.

Chapter (*Wisdom* x. 17). God rendered to the righteous a reward of their labours, guided them in a marvellous way, and was unto them a cover by day and a light of stars in the night season.

R. Let the righteous be glad : and rejoice before God.

℣. Let them also be merry and joyful ;

℟. And rejoice before God.

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Let the righteous . . .

℣. The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God ;

℟. And there shall no torment touch them.

None :

Ant. Let the saints be joyful with glory : let them rejoice in their beds.

Chapter (*Wisdom* iii. 7, 8). The righteous shall shine and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble. They shall judge the nations and have dominion over the people, and their Lord shall reign for ever.

R. The souls of th righteous : are in th hand of God ;

℣. And there shall n torment touch them.

℟. In the hand of Goc

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The souls . . .

℣. O God, wonderf art thou in thy saints.

℟. And glorious in th majesty.

In Eastertide the Office f Confessors, Virgins, Matron the Dedication of a Church said as given below for th rest of the year, but Allelu *is added to the Antiphons,* ℣ *and* ℟. *To the short* **R.** *tw* Alleluias *are added, and th part of the* **R.** *is not repeate but only the two* Alleluias.

Of a Bishop and Confessor

(*In Eastertide* Alleluia *added to Antiphons and Re sponds.*)

Prime :

Ant. Behold a grea priest : who in his day pleased God, and wa found righteous (alleluia).

Terce:

Ant. O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : O ye servants of the Lord, sing praises unto our God (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xliv. 22, 23). The Lord established with him the blessing of all men, and the covenant, and made it rest upon his head.

℟. The Lord loved him : and adorned him (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. He clothed him with a robe of glory ;

℟. And adorned him (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Lord loved . . .

℣. The Lord chose him for a priest unto himself (alleluia).

℟. To offer to him the sacrifice of praise (alleluia).

Collect.

O GOD, the light of the faithful and shepherd of souls, who didst set blessed *N.* to be a bishop in the Church, that he might feed thy sheep by his word, and guide them by his example ; Grant us, we pray thee, to keep the faith which he taught, and to follow in his footsteps ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. Good and faithful servant : enter thou into the joy of thy Lord (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xliv. 23). The Lord acknowledged him in his blessing, and gave him an heritage.

℟. The Lord chose him: for a priest unto himself (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. To offer to him the sacrifice of praise.

℟. For a priest (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Lord chose . . .

℣. Thou art a priest for ever (alleluia).

℟. After the order of Melchisedech (alleluia).

None:

Ant. Blessed is that servant : whom his Lord, when he cometh and knocketh at the door, shall find watching (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xlv. 15). He chose him to exercise the office of priesthood and bless the people in his name, to offer incense and a sweet savour.

R. Thou art a priest : for ever (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. After the order of Melchisedech.

℟. For ever (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Thou art . . .

℣. The Lord guided the righteous in right paths (alleluia) ;

℟. And he shewed him the kingdom of God (alleluia).

Of a Doctor

The preceding Common of a Bishop, or the one below for a Confessor is used with the following Collect.

Collect.

O GOD, who hast enlightened thy Church by the witness of thy Confessor and doctor Saint *N.* ; enrich it evermore, we beseech thee, with thy heavenly grace, and raise up teachers therein who may set forth thy truth as well by sound doctrine as by holiness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Of a Confessor not a Bishop

(*In Eastertide* Alleluia *added to Antiphons and Responds.*)

Prime :

Ant. Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents behold I have gained beside them five talents more (alleluia).

Terce :

Ant. Well done, thou good and faithful servant thou hast been faithful over a few things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xxxi. 8-9). Blessed is the man that is found without blemish, and hath not gone after gold. Who is he? and we will call him blessed ; for wonderful things hath he done among his people.

R. The Lord loved him : and adorned him (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. He clothed him with a robe of glory ;

℟. And adorned him (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Lord loved . . .

℣. The Lord guided the righteous in right paths (alleluia).

℟. And he shewed him the kingdom of God (alleluia).

Collect.

O GOD, who makest us glad with the yearly festival of blessed *N.*, thy Confessor; Mercifully grant that as we celebrate his joyful entrance into rest, so we may imitate his holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

If an Abbot

O GOD, by whose gift blessed *N.* [the abbot] followed Christ in poverty and lowliness of heart, and persevered unto the end ; Grant to all who have entered on the path of thy commandments, neither to look back nor to stay by the way, but hastening to thee without stumbling, to lay hold on eternal life; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth.

This Collect may be used for other religious.

Sext:

Ant. He is a faithful and wise servant : whom his Lord hath made ruler over his household (alleluia).

Chapter (*Wisdom* x. 12). The Lord defended him from his enemies, and kept him safe from those that lay in wait, and in a sore conflict he gave him the victory; that he might know that godliness is stronger than all.

R. The Lord guided the righteous : in right paths (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. And he shewed him the kingdom of God ;

℟. In right paths (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The Lord guided . . .

℣. The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree in the house of the Lord (alleluia) ;

℟. He shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus (alleluia).

None:

Ant. Blessed is that servant whom his Lord, when he cometh and knocketh at the door, shall find watching (alleluia).

Chapter (*Wisdom* x. 10). The Lord guided him in right paths, shewed him the kingdom of God, and gave him knowledge of holy things, and multiplied the fruit of his labours.

R. The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree : in the house of the Lord (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. He shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus ;

℟. In the house of the Lord (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. The righteous . . .

℣. The righteous shall grow as the lily (alleluia) ;

℟. And shall flourish for ever before the Lord (alleluia).

Of a Virgin

(*In Eastertide* Alleluia *is added to Antiphons and Responds.*)

Prime:

Ant. This is a wise virgin : whom the Lord found watching (alleluia).

Terce:

Ant. This is a wise virgin : and one of the number of the prudent (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* li. 9). Then lifted I up my supplication from the earth : O Lord my God, and prayed for deliverance from death.

R. Full of grace are thy lips : because God hath blessed thee for ever (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. The King shall have pleasure in thy beauty ;

℟. Because God (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Full of grace . . .

℣. In thy grace and in thy beauty go forth (alleluia) ;

℟. Ride prosperously and reign (alleluia).

Collect.

OF A MARTYR

O GOD, who among the other miracles of thy power hast bestowed

the crown of martyrdom even on the weakness of women ; Mercifully grant that, as we celebrate the festival of thy blessed Virgin Martyr *N.*, so following her example we may attain to thee ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Or this :

O GOD, who as on this day didst cause thy blessed Virgin *N.* to attain unto the heavenly palm of martyrdom ; Grant us, we beseech thee, so to follow her example that we may be accounted worthy to be admitted into thy presence ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

A VIRGIN, NOT A MARTYR

HEAR us, O God of our salvation, that as we rejoice in the feast of thy Virgin, blessed *N.*, so of thy mercy we may be taught the spirit of devotion ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext :

Ant. This is a virgin, holy and glorious : for the Lord of all things hath loved her (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* li. 11). I will praise thy Name continually, and will sing praise with thanksgiving ; because my prayer was heard.

R. In thy grace : and in thy beauty go forth (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Ride prosperously and reign ;

℟. And in thy beauty go forth (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. In thy grace . . .

℣. With his countenance God shall help her (alleluia) ;

℟. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed (alleluia).

None :

Ant. Come, thou bride of Christ, receive the crown : which the Lord hath prepared for thee for ever (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* li. 12). Thou savedst me from destruction, and deliveredst me from the evil time : therefore will I give thanks, and praise thee, and bless

thy Name, O Lord my God.

R. With his countenance : God shall help her (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed ;

℟. God shall help her (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. With his countenance . . .

℣. The virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company (alleluia) ;

℟. And shall be brought unto thee (alleluia).

Of a Matron

(*In Eastertide* Alleluia *is added to Antiphons and Responds.*)

Prime:

Ant. As the sun, when it ariseth in the high heavens : so is the beauty of a good woman in the ordering of her house (alleluia).

Terce:

Ant. A virtuous woman rejoiceth in her husband : and he shall fulfil the years of his life in peace (alleluia).

Chapter (*Acts* ii. 18, 19) On my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit, and they shall prophesy ; and I will shew wonders in heaven above and signs in the earth beneath.

R. Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee for thou art my God (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness ;

℟. For thou art my God (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Teach me . . .

℣. Quicken me, O Lord : for thy Name's sake (alleluia) ;

℟. And for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble (alleluia).

Collect.

O GOD of mercy, enlighten the hearts of thy faithful people, and grant us, after the example of blessed *N.*, to despise things earthly, and to love things heavenly ; through

Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

Sext:

Ant. Blessed is she that hath brought up children, hath relieved the afflicted, and diligently followed every good work (alleluia).

Chapter (*Prov.* xxxi. 20, 25). She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she stretcheth forth her hands to the needy: strength and honour are her clothing, and she shall rejoice in time to come.

R. Quicken me, O Lord: for thy Name's sake (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. And for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble;

℟. For thy Name's sake (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Quicken me . . .

℣. I waited patiently for the Lord, and he inclined unto me (alleluia);

℟. He heard my calling (alleluia).

None:

Ant. She departed not from the temple: but served God with fastings and prayers night and day (alleluia).

Chapter (*Ecclus.* xl. 19). Children and the building of a city continue a man's name: but a blameless wife is counted above them both.

R. I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. He heard my calling;

℟. And he inclined unto me (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. I waited . . .

℣. O come hither and behold the works of God (alleluia);

℟. Who holdeth our soul in life (alleluia).

Dedication of a Church

(*In Eastertide* Alleluia *is added to Antiphons and Responds.*)

Prime:

Ant. Holiness becometh thine house, O Lord: for ever and ever (alleluia).

Terce:

Ant. My house, saith the Lord : shall be called the house of prayer (alleluia).

Chapter (1 *Cor.* iii. 9). We are labourers together with God : ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

R. Holiness : becometh thine house, O Lord (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. For ever and ever;

℟. Becometh thine house, O Lord (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Holiness . . .

℣. Mine house, saith the Lord (alleluia);

℟. Shall be called an house of prayer (alleluia).

Collect.

O GOD, who year by year renewest the consecration day of this thy holy temple and bringest us again in safety to thy holy mysteries; Hear the prayers of thy people, and grant that whosoever entereth this temple to offer his petitions, may rejoice in their fulfilment; through.

Sext:

Ant. This is the house of the Lord, most firmly builded : it is well founded upon a strong rock (alleluia).

Chapter (1 *Cor.* iii. 11). Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid which is Jesus Christ.

R. Mine house: saith the Lord (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Shall be called an house of prayer;

℟. Saith the Lord (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Mine house . . .

℣. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, O Lord (alleluia);

℟. They will be always praising thee (alleluia).

None:

Ant. All thy walls are of stones most precious and the towers of Jerusalem shall be built up with jewels (alleluia).

Chapter (1 *Cor.* iii. 16). Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you ?

R. Blessed are they: that dwell in thy house, O Lord (alleluia, alleluia).

℣. They will be alway praising thee ;

℟. That dwell in thy house, O Lord (or Alleluia, alleluia).

℣. Glory be . . .

℟. Blessed . . .

℣. This is the house of the Lord, most firmly builded (alleluia) ;

℟. It is well founded upon a strong rock (alleluia).

VESPERS OF THE DEAD

The Antiphons are doubled only when the Office is celebrated solemnly and on the day of burial : Rest eternal *is always said in the plural number.*

Ant. I will walk.

PSALM CXVI

Dilexi, quoniam.

I AM well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer ;

2 That he hath inclined his ear unto me : therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

3 The snares of death compassed me round about : and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

4 I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord : O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous : yea, our God is merciful.

6 The Lord preserveth the simple : I was in misery, and he helped me.

7 Turn again then unt thy rest, O my soul : fo the Lord hath rewarde thee.

8 And why ? thou has delivered my soul fro death : mine eyes fro tears, and my feet fro falling.

Rest eternal grant t them, O Lord : and le light perpetual shine upo them.

Ant. I will walk befor the Lord : in the land o the living.

Ant. Woe is me.

PSALM CXX

Ad Dominum.

WHEN I was in troubl I called upon th Lord : and he heard me.

2 Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips : an from a deceitful tongue.

3 What reward shall b given or done unto thee thou false tongue : ever

mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

4 Woe is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Mesech : and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar.

5 My soul hath long dwelt among them : that are enemies unto peace.

6 I labour for peace, but when I speak unto them thereof : they make them ready to battle.

Rest eternal.

Ant. Woe is me : that I am constrained to dwell with Mesech.

Ant. The Lord shall preserve thee.

PSALM CXXI

Levavi oculos.

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.

2 My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord himself is thy keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand ;

6 So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

8 The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

Rest eternal.

Ant. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

Ant. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme.

PSALM CXXX

De profundis.

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

2 O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.

3 If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it ?

4 For there is mercy

with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.

5 I look for the Lord ; my soul doth wait for him: in his word is my trust.

6 My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy : and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

Rest eternal.

Ant. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it ?

Ant. Despise not then.

PSALM CXXXVIII

Confitebor tibi.

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving - kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name, and thy word, above all things.

3 When I called upon thee, thou heardest me and enduedst my soul with much strength.

4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord that great is the glory of the Lord.

6 For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

8 The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth forever ; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

Rest eternal.

Ant. Despise not then the works, O Lord : of thine own hands.

℣. I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me :

℟. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.

Ant. All that the Father giveth me.

Magnificat.

MY soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Rest eternal.

Ant. All that the Father giveth me shall come to me : and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

The following prayers are said kneeling :

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation :

℟. But deliver us from evil.

The following psalm is not said on the day of death or burial, or when the Antiphons are doubled.

PSALM CXLVI

Lauda, anima mea.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man : for there is no help in them.

3 For when the breath of man goeth forth he

shall turn again to his earth : and then all his thoughts perish.

4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help : and whose hope is in the Lord his God ;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is : who keepeth his promise for ever ;

6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong : who feedeth the hungry.

7 The Lord looseth men out of prison : the Lord giveth sight to the blind.

8 The Lord helpeth them that are fallen : the Lord careth for the righteous.

9 The Lord careth for the strangers ; he defendeth the fatherless and widow : as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.

10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore : and throughout all generations.

Rest eternal.

℣. From the gates of hell ;

℟. Deliver *his* soul, O Lord.

℣. May *he* rest in peace :

℟. Amen.

℣. Lord, hear my prayer ;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee ;

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

On the day of burial.

O GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive ; Receive our humble petitions for the soul of thy servant *N.*, whom thou hast this day bidden to depart this life ; deliver *him* not into the hands of the enemy, neither forsake *him* at the last, but give thy holy angels charge concerning *him*, that they may bear *him* into the country of paradise ; and forasmuch as *he* hath hoped and believed in thee, grant that *he* may be counted worthy to rejoice in the fellowship of thy saints in glory through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

At an Obit.

O GOD, the Lord of all mercy and forgiveness, grant unto the soul of

thy servant *N.*, the anniversary of whose burial we have in remembrance, a time of refreshing, a quiet resting place, and the glory of light everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

For a Month's Mind.

O GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive; Look favourably on the soul of thy servant *N.*, and grant *him* remission of all *his* sins; that, being loosed from the bands of death, *he* may attain unto life eternal; through.

For a Bishop or Priest.

O GOD, who didst call thy servant *N.* to the apostolic priesthood, and account him worthy of the episcopal (*or* priestly) dignity; Grant that with them whose office he bore awhile on earth he may evermore abide in joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful; Grant unto the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins, that through devout supplications they may obtain the pardon they have always desired; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

ABSOLVE, we beseech thee, O Lord, the souls of thy servants departed, that though dead to the world, they may live unto thee; and those sins which through frailty of the flesh they have committed in their earthly life, do thou of thy great mercy wash away; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

After the Collect is always said:

℣. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord;

℟. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

℣. May they rest in peace.

℟. Amen.

THE PENITENTIAL PSALMS

Ant. Remember not.

Against Anger

PSALM VI

Domine, ne in furore.

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine indignation : neither chasten me in thy displeasure.

2 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak : O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed.

3 My soul also is sore troubled : but, Lord, how long wilt thou punish me ?

4 Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul : O save me for thy mercy's sake.

5 For in death no man remembereth thee : and who will give thee thanks in the pit ?

6 I am weary of my groaning ; every night wash I my bed : and water my couch with my tears.

7 My beauty is gone for very trouble : and worn away because of all mine enemies.

8 Away from me, all ye that work vanity : for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.

9 The Lord hath heard my petition : the Lord will receive my prayer.

10 All mine enemies shall be confounded, and sore vexed : they shall be turned back, and put to shame suddenly.

Glory be to the Father

Against Pride

PSALM XXXII

Beati, quorum.

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven : and whose sin is covered.

2 Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin : and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3 For while I held my tongue : my bones con

sumed away through my daily complaining.

4 For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night : and my moisture is like the drought in summer.

5 I will acknowledge my sin unto thee : and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

6 I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord : and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

7 For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found : but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh him.

8 Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble : thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

9 I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go : and I will guide thee with mine eye.

10 Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding : whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

11 Great plagues remain for the ungodly : but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

12 Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord : and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

Glory be to the Father.

Against Gluttony

PSALM XXXVIII

Domine, ne in furore.

PUT me not to rebuke, O Lord, in thine anger : neither chasten me in thy heavy displeasure.

2 For thine arrows stick fast in me : and thy hand presseth me sore.

3 There is no health in my flesh, because of thy displeasure : neither is there any rest in my bones, by reason of my sin.

4 For my wickednesses are gone over my head : and are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear.

5 My wounds stink, and are corrupt : through my foolishness.

6 I am brought into so great trouble and misery : that I go mourning all the day long.

7 For my loins are filled

with a sore disease : and there is no whole part in my body.

8 I am feeble, and sore smitten : I have roared for the very disquietness of my heart.

9 Lord, thou knowest all my desire : and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10 My heart panteth, my strength hath failed me : and the sight of mine eyes is gone from me.

11 My lovers and my neighbours did stand looking upon my trouble : and my kinsmen stood afar off.

12 They also that sought after my life laid snares for me : and they that went about to do me evil talked of wickedness, and imagined deceit all the day long.

13 As for me, I was like a deaf man, and heard not : and as one that is dumb, who doth not open his mouth.

14 I became even as a man that heareth not : and in whose mouth are no reproofs.

15 For in thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : thou shalt answer for me, O Lord my God.

16 I have required that they, even mine enemies, should not triumph over me : for when my foot slipped, they rejoiced greatly against me.

17 And I, truly, am set in the plague : and my heaviness is ever in my sight.

18 For I will confess my wickedness : and be sorry for my sin.

19 But mine enemies live, and are mighty : and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.

20 They also that reward evil for good are against me : because I follow the thing that good is.

21 Forsake me not, O Lord my God : be not thou far from me.

22 Haste thee to help me : O Lord God of my salvation.

Glory be to the Father.

Against Lust

PSALM LI

Miserere mei, Deus.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness : according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

2 Wash me throughly from my wickedness : and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my faults : and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight : that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

5 Behold, I was shapen in wickedness : and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

6 But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts : and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

7 Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean : thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness : that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9 Turn thy face from my sins : and put out all my misdeeds.

10 Make me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from thy presence : and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

12 O give me the comfort of thy help again : and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

13 Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked: and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health : and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

15 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord : and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee : but thou delightest not in burnt offerings.

17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

18 O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations : then shall they

offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

Glory be to the Father.

Against Avarice

PSALM CII

Domine, exaudi.

HEAR my prayer, O Lord : and let my crying come unto thee.

2 Hide not thy face from me in the time of my trouble : incline thine ear unto me when I call ; O hear me, and that right soon.

3 For my days are consumed away like smoke : and my bones are burnt up as it were a fire-brand.

4 My heart is smitten down, and withered like grass : so that I forget to eat my bread.

5 For the voice of my groaning : my bones will scarce cleave to my flesh.

6 I am become like a pelican in the wilderness : and like an owl that is in the desert.

7 I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow : that sitteth alone upon the house-top.

8 Mine enemies revile me all the day long : and they that are mad upon me are sworn together against me.

9 For I have eaten ashes as it were bread and mingled my drink with weeping ;

10 And that because of thine indignation and wrath : for thou hast taken me up, and cast me down.

11 My days are gone like a shadow : and I am withered like grass.

12 But thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever : and thy remembrance throughout all generations.

13 Thou shalt arise and have mercy upon Sion : for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come.

14 And why ? thy servants think upon her stones : and it pitieth them to see her in the dust.

15 The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord : and all the kings of the earth thy majesty ;

16 When the Lord shall build up Sion : and when his glory shall appear ;

17 When he turneth him unto the prayer of the poor destitute : and despiseth not their desire.

18 This shall be written for those that come after : and the people which shall be born shall praise the Lord.

19 For he hath looked down from his sanctuary : out of the heaven did the Lord behold the earth ;

20 That he might hear the mournings of such as are in captivity : and deliver the children appointed unto death ;

21 That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Sion : and his worship at Jerusalem ;

22 When the people are gathered together : and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord.

23 He brought down my strength in my journey : and shortened my days.

24 But I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of mine age : as for thy years, they endure throughout all generations.

25 Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth : and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

26 They shall perish, but thou shalt endure : they all shall wax old as doth a garment ;

27 And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed : but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

28 The children of thy servants shall continue : and their seed shall stand fast in thy sight.

Glory be to the Father.

Against Envy

PSALM CXXX

De profundis.

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

2 O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.

3 If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it ?

4 For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.

5 I look for the Lord ; my soul doth wait for him : in his word is my trust.

6 My soul fleeth unto

the Lord: before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

Glory be to the Father.

Against Sloth

PSALM CXLIII

Domine, exaudi.

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire: hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

2 And enter not into judgement with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground: he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

4 Therefore is my spirit vexed within me: and my heart within me is desolate.

5 Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works: yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

7 Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

8 O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust: shew thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9 Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: for I flee unto thee to hide me.

10 Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee, for thou art my God: let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

11 Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake: and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

12 And of thy goodness slay mine enemies: and

destroy all them that vex my soul; for I am thy servant.

Glory be to the Father.

Ant. Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers, neither take thou vengeance of our sins.

On Ferias in Lent these psalms may be used as follows: On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, Psalm vi is said after Terce, Psalm xxii after Sext, Psalm xxxviii after None; on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, Psalm cii after Terce, Psalm cxxx after Sext, Psalm cxliii after None. After Compline Psalm li is said on all these Ferias.

BENEDICTIO MENSAE

℣. Oculi omnium in te sperant, Domine ;

℟. Et tu das escam illorum in tempore opportuno.

℣. Aperis tu manum tuam ;

℟. Et imples omne animal benedictione.

Gloria Patri.

Sicut erat.

Oremus.

Benedic Domine, nos, et haec tua dona, quae de tua largitate sumus sumpturi. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Mensae caelestis partici pes faciat nos Rex aeter nae gloriae. *Amen.*

GRATIARUM ACTIO

℣. Confiteantur tibi Domine, omnia opera tua

℟. Et Sancti tui bene dicant tibi.

Gloria Patri.

Sicut erat.

Agimus tibi gratias, om nipotens Deus, pro uni versis beneficiis tuis : Qu vivis et regnas in saecul saeculorum. *Amen.*

ITINERARIUM

Ant. Into the way of peace.

Benedictus.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited, and redeemed his people ;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us : in the house of his servant David ;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets : which have been since the world began ;

That we should be saved from our enemies : and from the hands of all that hate us ;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and to remember his holy covenant ;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would give us ;

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies : might serve him without fear ;

In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways ;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people : for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God : whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us ;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Ant. Into the way of peace and prosperity may

the almighty and merciful Lord direct *us* : and may his Angel Raphael go with *us* on *our* journey, that *we* may return to *our* homes in peace, safety, and joy.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;
℟. But deliver us from evil.
℣. O Lord, save thy *servants* ;
℟. Which put their trust in thee (or, who puts *his* trust in thee).
℣. Send *us* help, O Lord, from thy sanctuary ;
℟. And strengthen *us* out of Sion.
℣. Be unto *us*, O Lord, a strong tower ;
℟. From the face of the enemy.
℣. Let no evil happen unto *us* ;
℟. Nor the son of wickedness approach to hurt *us*.
℣. Blessed be the Lord daily ;
℟. And may the God of *our* salvation make *ou* journey prosperous.
℣. Shew *us* thy way: O Lord ;
℟. And teach *us* th paths.
℣. O that *our* way were made so direct ;
℟. That *we* might kee thy statutes.
℣. The crooked way shall be made straight ;
℟. And the rough place plain.
℣. God shall give h angels charge concernin thee ;
℟. To keep thee in a thy ways.
℣. Lord, hear m prayer ;
℟. And let my cry com unto thee.
℣. The Lord be wit you.
℟. And with thy spiri

Let us pray.

O GOD, who madest th children of Israel t go on dry land throug the midst of the sea, an who shewedst to the Ma the way to thyself by th guidance of a star ; Gra unto thy servants, we b seech thee, a prosperou journey and a quiet tim that, attended by thy ho

Angel, *we* may safely arrive at the place whither *we* would go, and at length come to the haven of eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who didst bring Abraham thy servant out of Ur of the Chaldees, and preserve him unhurt throughout his journeyings; We beseech thee to take *us* thy servants under thy protection; be to *us*, O Lord, a support in setting out, a solace on the way, a shadow in the heat, a covering from the rain and cold, a chariot in weariness, a protection in danger, a staff in slippery places, a harbour in shipwreck, that under thy guidance *we* may happily reach the place whither *we are* going, and at length return in safety to *our* own dwelling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, we may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that thy family may walk in the way of salvation, and, by following the counsels of St. John the Forerunner, may come in safety unto him whom he preached, thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God world without end. *Amen.*

℣. Let us go forth in peace;

℟. In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

PREPARATION FOR MASS

To be said according to opportunity.

Ant. Remember not,* Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers: neither take thou vengeance of our sins. (*In Easter time*, Alleluia.)

This Antiphon is doubled on double feasts.

PSALM LXXXIV

Quam dilecta !

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts !

2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praisin thee.

5 Blessed is the ma whose strength is in thee in whose heart are th ways.

6 Who going throug the vale of misery use i for a well : and the pool are filled with water.

7 They will go fro strength to strength : an unto the God of gods ap peareth every one of ther in Sion.

8 O Lord God of hosts hear my prayer : hearker O God of Jacob.

9 Behold, O God ou defender : and look upo the face of thine Anointe

10 For one day in th courts : is better than thousand.

11 I had rather be doorkeeper in the house c my God : than to dwell i the tents of ungodliness.

12 For the Lord God i a light and defence : th Lord will give grace an worship, and no goo

thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

13 O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

Glory be to the Father.

Psalm lxxxv

Benedixisti, Domine.

LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land : thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

2 Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people : and covered all their sins.

3 Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure : and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.

4 Turn us then, O God our Saviour : and let thine anger cease from us.

5 Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever : and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another ?

6 Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us : that thy people may rejoice in thee ?

7 Shew us thy mercy, O Lord : and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me : for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints that they turn not again.

9 For his salvation is nigh them that fear him : that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are met together : righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth : and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

12 Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness : and our land shall give her increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him : and he shall direct his going in the way.

Glory be to the Father.

Psalm lxxxvi

Inclina, Domine.

BOW down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me : for I am poor and in misery.

2 Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy : my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me,

O Lord : for I will call daily upon thee.

4 Comfort the soul of thy servant : for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5 For thou, Lord, art good and gracious : and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

6 Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer : and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee : for thou hearest me.

8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord : there is not one that can do as thou doest.

9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord : and shall glorify thy Name.

10 For thou art great, anddoestwondrousthings; thou art God alone.

11 Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth : O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.

12 I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart : and will praise thy Name for evermore.

13 For great is thy mercy toward me : and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.

14 O God, the proud are risen against me : and the congregations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.

15 But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy : long suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

16 O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me : give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.

17 Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed : because thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

Glory be to the Father

PSALM CXVI. 10

Credidi.

I BELIEVED, and therefore will I speak : but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.

11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all

the benefits that he hath done unto me ?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant : I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid ; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

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Psalm cxxx

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4 For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.

5 I look for the Lord ; my soul doth wait for him: in his word is my trust.

6 My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy : and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

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OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;

℟. But deliver us from evil.

℣. I said, Lord, be merciful unto me ;

℟. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

℣. Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last ;

℟. And be gracious unto thy servants.

℣. Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us ;

℟. As we do put our trust in thee.

℣. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness ;

℟. And thy saints sing with joyfulness.

℣. Cleanse thou me from my secret faults ;

℟. Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

℣. Lord, hear my prayer ;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

MOST gracious God, incline thy merciful ears to our prayers, and enlighten our hearts with the grace of the Holy Ghost, that we may worthily celebrate thy holy mysteries, and love the with an everlasting love.

Purify, O Lord, with the fire of thy Holy Spir our hearts and reins, tha we may serve thee with chaste body and pleas thee with a pure mind.

O Lord, we beseech thee may the Comforter wh proceedeth from thee illu minate our minds, an lead us, as thy Son hat promised, into all truth.

O Lord, we beseech thee may the power of the Hol Ghost be with us, and bot mercifully cleanse an purge our hearts, and de fend us from all adversi ties.

Cleanse our consciences we beseech thee, O Lord by thy visitation ; tha thy Son, our Lord Jesu Christ, when he cometh may find in us a mansion prepared for himself ; wh liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of th same Spirit, ever one God world without end. *Amen*

A Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas.

ALMIGHTY and ever lasting God, behold I approach the Sacrament of thy only-begotten Son

our Lord Jesus Christ. As one sick, I come to the Physician of life : as unclean, to the Fountain of mercy : as blind, to the Light of eternal splendour : as needy, to the Lord of heaven and earth : as naked, to the King of glory : a lost sheep, to the Good Shepherd : a fallen creature, to its Creator : desolate, to the kind Comforter : miserable, to the Pitier : guilty, to the Bestower of pardon : sinful, to the Justifier : hardened, to the Infuser of grace.

I implore therefore the abundance of thine infinite Majesty, that thou wouldest vouchsafe to heal my sickness, to wash my foulness, to enlighten my darkness, to enrich my poverty, and to clothe my nakedness, that I may receive the Bread of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with such reverence and fear, such contrition and love, such faith and purity, such devotion and humility, as is expedient for the welfare of my soul. Grant me, I beseech thee, to receive not only the Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, but also the substance and virtue of the Sacrament. O most merciful God, grant me so to receive the body of thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ, which he took of the Virgin Mary, that I may be incorporated in his mystical body, and ever reckoned among his members. And, O most loving Father, grant me that whom I now purpose to receive under a veil, I may at length behold with open face, even thy beloved Son ; who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Oratio S. Ambrosii Episcopi.

Die Dominica

SUMME Sacerdos et vere Pontifex Iesu Christe, qui te obtulisti Deo Patri hostiam puram et immaculatam in ara crucis pro nobis miseris et peccatoribus,et qui dedisti nobis carnem tuam ad manducandum et sanguinem tuum ad bibendum, et posuisti mysterium

istud in virtute Spiritus Sancti tui, dicens : Haec quotiescumque feceritis, in mei memoriam facietis ; rogo per eumdem sanguinem tuum, magnum salutis nostrae pretium : rogo per hanc miram et ineffabilem caritatem, qua nos miseros et indignos sic amare dignatus es, ut lavares nos a peccatis nostris in sanguine tuo. Doce me servum tuum indignum, quem inter cetera dona tua etiam ad officium sacerdotale vocare dignatus es, nullis meis meritis, sed sola dignatione misericordiae tuae ; doce me, quaeso, per Spiritum Sanctum tuum, tantum tractare mysterium ea reverentia et honore, ea devotione et timore, quibus oportet et decet. Fac me per gratiam tuam semper illud de tanto mysterio credere et intelligere, sentire et firmiter tenere, dicere et cogitare, quod tibi placet et expedit animae meae. Intret Spiritus tuus bonus in cor meum, qui sonet ibi sine sono, et sine strepitu verborum loquatur omnem veritatem. Profunda quippe sunt nimis et sacr tecta velamine. Propte magnam clementiam tu am concede mihi missa um solemnia mundo cord et pura mente celebrare Libera cor meum ab im mundis et nefandis, van et noxiis cogitationibu Muni me beatorum an gelorum pia et fida custo dia ac tutela fortissima, u hostes omnium bonorun confusi discedant. Pe virtutem tanti mysterii, e per manum sancti Ange tui, repelle a me et a cunc tis servis tuis durissimun superbiae et cenodoxiae invidiae et blasphemiae fornicationis et immun ditiae, dubietatis et diffi dentiae spiritum. Con fundantur qui nos perse quuntur ; pereant illi qu nos perdere festinant.

Feria Secunda

REX virginum et ama tor castitatis et inte gritatis, coelesti rore bene dictionis tuae extingue i corpore meo fomitem ar dentis libidinis, ut manea in me tenor castitatis cor poris et animae. Morti fica in membris meis car nis stimulos omnesqu libidinosas commotione

et da mihi veram et perpetuam castitatem, cum ceteris donis tuis, quae tibi placent in veritate; ut sacrificium laudis casto corpore et mundo corde valeam tibi offerre. Quanta enim cordis contritione et lacrymarum fonte, quanta reverentia et tremore, quanta corporis castitate et animae puritate istud divinum et coeleste sacrificium est celebrandum, ubi caro tua in veritate sumitur, ubi sanguis tuus in veritate bibitur, ubi ima summis, terrena divinis iunguntur, ubi adest sanctorum angelorum praesentia, ubi tu es sacrificium et sacerdos mirabiliter et ineffabiliter constitutus!

Feria Tertia

QUIS digne hoc celebrare poterit, nisi tu, Deus omnipotens, offerentem feceris dignum? Scio, Domine, et vere scio, et idipsum pietati tuae confiteor, quia non sum dignus accedere ad tantum mysterium propter nimia peccata mea et infinitas negligentias meas. Sed scio, et veraciter ex toto corde meo credo, et ore confiteor, quia tu potes me facere dignum, qui solus potes facere mundum de immundo conceptum semine, et de peccatoribus iustos et sanctos. Per hanc omnipotentiam tuam te rogo, Deus meus, ut concedas mihi peccatori hoc sacrificium celebrare cum timore et tremore, cum cordis puritate et lacrymarum fonte, cum laetitia spiritali et coelesti gaudio. Sentiat mens mea dulcedinem beatissimae praesentiae tuae et excubias sanctorum angelorum tuorum in circuitu meo.

Feria Quarta

EGO enim, Domine, memor venerandae passionis tuae accedo ad altare tuum, licet peccator, ut offeram tibi sacrificium quod tu instituisti, et offerri praecepisti in commemorationem tui pro salute nostra. Suscipe illud, quaeso, summe Deus, pro Ecclesia sancta tua et pro populo, quem acquisivisti sanguine tuo. Et quoniam me peccatorem inter te et eumdem populum tuum medium esse voluisti, licet in me

aliquod boni operis testimonium non agnoscas, officium saltem dispensationis creditae non recuses; nec per me indignum eorum salutis pereat pretium, pro quibus victima salutaris dignatus es esse et redemptio. Profero etiam, Domine, si digneris propitius intueri, tribulationes plebium, pericula populorum, captivorum gemitus, miserias orphanorum, necessitates peregrinorum, inopiam debilium, desperationes languentium, defectus senum, suspiria juvenum, vota virginum, lamenta viduarum.

Feria Quinta

TU enim misereris omnium, Domine, et nihil odisti eorum quae fecisti. Memorare quae sit nostra substantia; quia tu Pater noster es, quia tu Deus noster es, ne irascaris satis, neque multitudinem viscerum tuorum super nos contineas. Non enim in iustificationibus nostris prosternimus preces ante faciem tuam, sed in miserationibus tuis multis. Aufer a nobis iniquitates nostras, et ignem Sancti Spiritus in nobis clementer accende. Aufer cor lapideum de carne nostra, et da nobis cor carneum, quod te amet, te diligat, te delectetur, te sequatur, te perfruatur. Oramus, Domine, clementiam tuam ut sereno vultu familiam tuam, sacri tui nominis officia praestolantem, aspicere digneris; et ut nullius sit irritum votum nullius vacua postulatio tu nobis preces suggere quas ipse propitius audire et exaudire delecteris.

Feria Sexta

ROGAMUS etiam te Domine sancte Pater et pro spiritibus fidelium defunctorum, ut sit illis salus, sanitas, gaudium et refrigerium, hoc magnum pietatis sacramentum. Domine Deus meus, sit illis hodie magnum et plenum convivium de te pane vivo, qui de caelo descendisti et das vitam mundo, de tua carne sancta et benedicta, Agni scilicet immaculati, qui tollis peccata mundi, quae de sancto et glorioso beatae virginis Mariae utero est assumpta, et de Spiritu Sancto concepta; ac de

illo pietatis fonte, qui per lanceam militis ex tuo sacratissimo latere emanavit, ut exinde refecti et satiati, refrigerati et consolati, exultent in laude et gloria tua. Peto clementiam tuam, Domine, ut descendat super panem tibi sacrificandum plenitudo tuae benedictionis et sanctificatio tuae divinitatis. Descendat etiam, Domine, illa Sancti Spiritus tui invisibilis incomprehensibilisque maiestas, sicut quondam in patrum hostias descendebat, qui et oblationes nostras corpus et sanguinem tuum efficiat, et me indignum sacerdótem doceat tantum tractare mysterium cum cordis puritate et lacrymarum devotione, cum reverentia et tremore, ita ut placide ac benigne suscipias sacrificium de manibus meis ad salutem omnium tam vivorum quam defunctorum.

Sabbato

ROGO etiam te, Domine, per ipsum sacrosanctum mysterium corporis et sanguinis tui, quo quotidie in ecclesia tua pascimur et potamur, abluimur et sanctificamur, atque unius summae divinitatis participes efficimur; da mihi virtutes tuas sanctas, quibus repletus bona conscientia ad altare tuum accedam, ita ut haec caelestia sacramenta efficiantur mihi salus et vita. Tu enim dixisti ore tuo sancto et benedicto: Panis, quem ego dabo, caro mea est pro mundi vita; Ego sum panis vivus qui de caelo descendi; si quis manducaverit ex hoc pane, vivet in aeternum. Panis dulcissime, sana palatum cordis mei, ut sentiam suavitatem amoris tui. Sana illud ab omni languore, ut nullam praeter te sentiam dulcedinem. Panis candidissime, habens omne delectamentum et omnem saporem, qui nos semper reficis et nunquam in te deficis; comedat te cor meum, et dulcedine saporis tui repleantur viscera animae meae. Manducat te angelus ore pleno; manducet te peregrinus homo pro modulo suo, ne deficere possit in via, tali recreatus viatico. Panis sancte, panis vive, panis munde, qui descendisti de caelo

et das vitam mundo, veni in cor meum et munda me ab omni inquinamento carnis et spiritus. Intra in animam meam; sana et munda me interius et exterius. Esto tutamen et continua salus animae et corporis mei. Repelle a me insidiantes mihi hostes; recedant procul a praesentia potentiae tuae, ut, foris et intus per te munitus, recto tramite ad tuum regnum perveniam, ubi non in mysteriis, sicut in hoc tempore agitur, sed facie ad faciem te videbimus, cum tradideris regnum Deo et Patri, et eris Deus omnia in omnibus. Tunc enim me de te satiabis satietate mirifica, ita ut nec esuriam nec sitiam in aeternum; qui cum eodem Deo Patre et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Alia Oratio

AD mensam dulcissimi convivii tui, pie Domine Iesu Christe, ego peccator de propriis meritis nihil praesumens, sed de tua confidens misericordia et bonitate, accedere vereor et contremisco. Nam cor et corpus habeo multi criminibus maculatum mentem et linguam nor caute custoditam. Ergo o pia Deitas, o tremend Maiestas, ego miser inte angustias deprehensus ac te fontem misericordia recurro, ad te festino sanandus, sub tuam pro tectionem fugio; et quem judicem sustinere nequeo salvatorem habere suspiro Tibi, Domine, plagas meas ostendo; tibi verecundiam meam detego. Scio pecca ta mea multa et magna pro quibus timeo. Sperc in misericordias tuas, quarum non est numerus Respice ergo in me oculis misericordiae tuae, Domine Iesu Christe, Rex aeterne, Deus et homo crucifixus propter hominem. Exaudi me sperantem in te; miserere mei pleni miseriis et peccatis, tu qui fontem miserationis nunquam manare cessabis. Salve, salutaris victima, pro me et omni humano genere in patibulo crucis oblata. Salve nobilis et pretiose sanguis de vulneribus crucifixi Domini mei Iesu Christi profluens, et peccata totius mundi abluens. Recordare, Do-

mine, creaturae tuae, quam tuo sanguine redemisti. Poenitet me peccasse; cupio emendare quod feci. Aufer ergo a me, clementissime Pater, omnes iniquitates et peccata mea, ut purificatus mente et corpore digne degustare merear sancta sanctorum; et concede ut haec sancta praelibatio corporis et sanguinis tui, quam ego indignus sumere intendo, sit peccatorum meorum remissio, sit delictorum perfecta purgatio, sit turpium cogitationum effugatio ac bonorum sensuum regeneratio, operumque tibi placentium salubris efficacia, animae quoque et corporis contra inimicorum meorum insidias firmissima tuitio. Amen.

Oratio S. Thomae Aquinatis

OMNIPOTENS sempiterne Deus, ecce accedo ad sacramentum unigeniti Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi: accedo tanquam infirmus ad medicum vitae, immundus ad fontem misericordiae, caecus ad lumen claritatis aeternae, pauper et egenus ad Dominum caeli et terrae. Rogo ergo immensae largitatis tuae abundantiam quatenus meam curare digneris infirmitatem, lavare foeditatem, illuminare caecitatem, ditare paupertatem, vestire nuditatem, ut panem angelorum, Regem regum et Dominum dominantium tanta suscipiam reverentia et humilitate, tanta contritione et devotione, tanta puritate et fide, tali proposito et intentione, sicut expedit saluti animae meae. Da mihi, quaeso, Dominici corporis et sanguinis non solum suscipere sacramentum, sed etiam rem et virtutem sacramenti. O mitissime Deus, da mihi corpus unigeniti Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi, quod traxit de Virgine Maria, sic suscipere, ut corpori suo mystico merear incorporari, et inter eius membra connumerari. O amantissime Pater, concede mihi dilectum Filium tuum, quem nunc velatum in via suscipere propono, revelata tandem facie perpetuo contemplari; qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus

Sancti Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Alia Oratio

DEUS, qui de indignis dignos, de peccatoribus iustos, de immundis mundos facis; munda cor et corpus meum ab omni contagione et sorde peccati, et fac me dignum altaribus tuis ministrum; et concede propitius, ut in hoc altari, ad quod indignus accedo, hostias acceptabiles offeram pietati tuae pro peccatis et offensionibus meis et innumeris quotidianisque excessibus et pro omnibus hic circumstantibus, universisque mihi familiaritate et affinitate coniunctis, atque me odio aliquo insectantibus et adversantibus, cunctisque Christianis fidelibus vivis et mortuis; et per eum sit tibi meum votum atque sacrificium acceptabile, qui se tibi Deo Patri obtulit in sacrificium, Iesus Christus Filius tuus Dominus noster; qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

GAUDIUM cum pace, emendationem vitae, spatium verae poenitentiae, gratiam et consolationem Sancti Spiritus, perseverantiam in bonis operibus, tribuat nobis omnipotens et misericors Dominus. Amen.

PRAEPARATIO BREVIOR AD MISSAM *

I. Invocatio S. Spiritus

Ant. Veni, Sancte Spiritus, etc. ℣. Emitte Spiritum tuum, etc. Oremus. Deus, qui corda, etc. (p. 297.)

II. Actus contritionis

DOMINE Deus meus, propitius esto mihi peccatori. Poenitet me peccasse : cupio emendare quod feci. Aufer a me, quaeso, omnes iniquitates meas, ut purificatus mente et corpore valeam ad sancta sanctorum introire.

III. Actus fidei

DOMINE Iesu Christe, qui es Sacerdos in aeternum, quique dixisti Caro mea vere est cibus, et sanguis meus vere est potus ; ego credidi quia tu es Christus, Filius Dei vivi, qui in hunc mundum venisti, et in hoc sacramento praesens redderis. Adauge mihi fidem.

IV. Actus spei

IN te solo spem meam colloco, dulcissime Iesu, quia tu salus et virtus mea, tu refugium et firmamentum meum, tu fons omnium bonorum. Miserere mei, et salva me, qui nunquam deseris sperantes in te.

V. Actus charitatis

O QUANTA vis amoris cor tuum succendit, amantissime Iesu, cum transiturus de hoc mundo ad Patrem, mensam parasti nobis habentem omne delectamentum, et omnem saporem suavitatis ! Pro hac tua ineffabili benignitate, amo te, Deus meus ; et ut nunquam cessem amare te, amorem meum

* From *Manuale Ordinandorum :* Parisiis : MDCCCXXXV.

teipso inflamma, qui esca et pabulum amoris es.

VI. Actus desiderii

QUEMADMODUM desiderat cervus ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Salvator meus, Domine Iesu. Trade te mihi, et sufficit. Nam praeter te nulla consolatio valet. Sine te esse nequeo, et sine visitatione tua vivere non valeo.

VII. Actus humilitatis

IMMENSE, tremende, potentissime et incomprehensibilis Deus, quis es tu, et quis sum ego, ut digneris venire ad me, mecum epulari, et mansionem apud me facere? Domine, non sum dignus ut intres sub tectum meum; sed tantum dic verbo et sanabitur anima mea.

VIII. Intentionis directio

DOMINE Iesu Christe, in unione illius divinae intentionis, qua ipse in ultima coena, et in ara crucis, sacrificium corporis et sanguinis tui Deo Patri obtulisti, hoc idem sacrificium ei offerre intendo. Complaceat sibi, O Iesu, in te; et per te propitius nobis sit in vitam aeternam. Amen.

Orationes Diversae

DOMINE Iesu Christe, qui ex hoc mundo transiturus ad Patrem, sacramentum corporis et sanguinis tui in alimentum simul et solatium Ecclesiae tradidisti; da nobis ut teipsum, quem nunc absconditum in mysterio veneramur, revelata facie in caelesti gloria mereamur contemplari.

DOMINE Iesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, pone passionem, crucem, et mortem tuam inter iudicium tuum et animam meam, nunc et in hora mortis meae.

Largiri mihi digneris gratiam et misericordiam vivis veniam, defunctis requiem, Ecclesiae tuae pacem, cunctisque peccatoribus vitam et gloriam sempiternam; qui vivis.

ORATIONES

Dicendae cum Sacerdos Induitur Sacerdotalibus Paramentis

Cum lavat manus, dicat :

Da, Domine, virtutem manibus meis ad abstergendam omnem maculam : ut sine pollutione mentis et corporis valeam tibi servire.

Ad Amĭctum, dum ponitur super caput, dicat :

Impone, Domine, capiti meo galeam salutis, ad expugnandos diabolicos incursus.

Ad Albam, cum ea induitur :

Dealba me, Domine, et munda cor meum : ut in sanguine Agni dealbatus, gaudiis perfruar sempiternis.

Ad Cingulum, dum se cingit :

Praecinge me, Domine, cingulo puritatis, et extingue in lumbis meis humorem libidinis : ut maneat in me virtus continentiae et castitatis.

Ad Manipulum, dum imponitur brachio sinistro :

Merear, Domine, portare manipulum fletus et doloris : ut cum exultatione recipiam mercedem laboris.

Ad Stolam, dum imponitur collo :

Redde mihi, Domine, stolam immortalitatis, quam perdidi in praevaricatione primi parentis : et, quamvis indignus accedo ad tuum sacrum mysterium, merear tamen gaudium sempiternum.

Ad Casulam, cum assumitur :

Domine, qui dixisti, Iugum meum suave est, et onus meum leve : fac ut istud portare sic valeam, quod consequar tuam gratiam. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER MASS *

Ant. Let us sing the song of the three children: which they sang as they blessed the Lord in the furnace of fire. (Alleluia.)

The Antiphon is doubled on double feasts.

Benedicite, omnia opera.

O ALL ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: O ye heavens, bless ye the Lord.

O ye waters that be above the firmament, bless ye the Lord: O all ye powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord.

O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord: O ye stars of heaven, bless ye the Lord.

O ye showers and dew, bless ye the Lord: O ye winds of God, bless ye the Lord.

O ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord: O ye winter and summer, bless ye the Lord.

O ye dews and frosts, bless ye the Lord: O ye frost and cold, bless ye the Lord.

O ye ice and snow, bless ye the Lord: O ye nights and days, bless ye the Lord.

O ye light and darkness, bless ye the Lord: O ye lightnings and clouds, bless ye the Lord.

O let the earth bless the Lord: yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye mountains and hills, bless ye the Lord: O all ye green things upon the earth, bless ye the Lord.

O ye wells, bless ye the Lord: O ye seas and floods, bless ye the Lord.

O ye whales and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord: O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord.

* The Thanksgiving should be begun by the priest when he leaves the altar, and continued while he takes off the vestments.

O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord : O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord.

O let Israel bless the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord.

O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord : O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord.

O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost : let us praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven : and worthy to be praised, and glorious, and magnified for ever.

PSALM CL

Laudate Dominum.

O PRAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Ant. Let us sing the song of the three children : which they sang as they blessed the Lord in the furnace of fire. (Alleluia.)

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;

℟. But deliver us from evil.

℣. All thy works praise thee, O Lord ;

℟. And thy saints give thanks unto thee.

℣. Let the saints be joyful with glory ;

℟. Let them rejoice in their beds.

℣. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us ;

℟. But to thy Name give the praise.

℣. Lord, hear my prayer ;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

℣. The Lord be with you ;

℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who didst to the three children assuage the flames of fire, mercifully grant that the flames of sin may not kindle upon us thy servants.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help ; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasti life.

GRANT us, O Lord, v beseech thee, gra to quench the flames our sins ; as thou did endue the blessed La rence with power to ove come the fire of his to ments ; through Chri our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Thoma Aquinas.

I YIELD thee thanks, Lord, holy Father, A mighty, everlasting Go who, not for any merit mine, but of the conde cension of thy mercy onl hast vouchsafed to fe me, a sinner, thy u worthy servant, with t precious body and blo of thy Son, our Lord Jes Christ. And I humbly e treat thy boundless cle ency, Almighty and merc ful Lord, that this ho communion may not bri guilt upon me to conde nation, but may be to m for pardon and salvatio Let it be unto me an a mour of faith and a shie of good resolution. Let be unto me a riddance

all vices, an extermination of all evil desires and lusts, and an increase of love and patience, of humility and obedience, and all virtues ; a firm defence against the wiles of all enemies, visible or invisible ; a perfect quieting of all sinful impulses, fleshly or spiritual ; a firm adherence to thee, the one true God, and a perfect consummation of my end. And I pray thee that thou wouldest vouchsafe to bring me a sinner to that ineffable feast where thou, with thy Son and the Holy Ghost, art to thy saints true light, full and everlasting joy, and perfect happiness ; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

MOREOVER I beseech thee, O Lord, that this holy communion may be unto me a guide and provision for my way unto the haven of everlasting salvation. May it be to me comfort when I am sad at heart, sweetness and love in every good resolve, patience in trouble and anguish, medicine in sickness. And by these most holy mysteries which I have received, grant me right faith, firm hope and perfect charity, renunciation of the world, purification of desire, gladness of mind, fervent love of thee, and a devout remembrance and inward experience of the passion of thy beloved Son, together with grace to keep my life full of virtues and of faith unfeigned in the love and praise of thee. And in the hour of my departure grant me to receive the grace of this so great mystery with true faith, sure hope and sincere charity, that I may see thee evermore. *Amen.*

Oratio S. Thomae Aquinatis.

GRATIAS tibi ago, Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, aeterne Deus, qui me peccatorem, indignum famulum tuum, nullis meis meritis, sed sola dignatione misericordiae tuae satiare dignatus es pretioso corpore et sanguine Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi. Et precor, ut haec sancta communio non sit mihi reatus

ad poenam, sed intercessio salutaris ad veniam. Sit mihi armatura fidei et scutum bonae voluntatis. Sit vitiorum meorum evacuatio, concupiscentiae et libidinis exterminatio, caritatis et patientiae, humilitatis et obedientiae, omniumque virtutum augmentatio : contra insidias inimicorum meorum, tam visibilium quam invisibilium, firma defensio : motuum meorum tam carnalium quam spiritualium perfecta quietatio : in te uno ac vero Deo firma adhaesio ; atque finis mei felix consummatio. Et precor te ut ad illud ineffabile convivium me peccatorem perducere digneris, ubi tu, cum Filio tuo et Spiritu Sancto, Sanctis tuis es lux vera, satietas plena, gaudium sempiternum, iucunditas consummata et felicitas perfecta. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Oratio S. Bonaventurae.

TRANSFIGE, dulcissime Domine Iesu, medullas et viscera animae meae suavissimo ac saluberrimo amoris tui vulnere, vera serenaque et apostolica sanctissima ca
ritate, ut langueat e
liquefiat anima mea sol
semper amore et desideri
tui ; te concupiscat e
deficiat in atria tua, cu
piat dissolvi et esse tecum
Da ut anima mea te esu
riat, panem Angelorum
refectionem animaru
sanctarum ; panem no
trum quotidianum, super
substantialem, habente
omnem dulcedinem et sa
porem, et omne delecta
mentum suavitatis. T
in quem desiderant Ange
prospicere, semper esuria
et comedat cor meum, e
dulcedine saporis tui re
pleantur viscera anima
meae ; te semper sitia
fontem vitae, fontem sap
ientiae et scientiae, fon
tem aeterni luminis
torrentem voluptatis
ubertatem domus De
Te semper ambiat, t
quaerat, te inveniat, a
te tendat, ad te pervenia
te meditetur, te loquatu
et omnia operetur in lau
dem et gloriam nomini
tui, cum humilitate e
discretione, cum dilection
et delectatione, cum faci
litate et affectu, cum per
severantia usque in finem
ut tu sis solus semper spe

mea, tota fiducia mea, divitiae meae, delectatio mea, iucunditas mea, gaudium meum, quies et tranquillitas mea, pax mea, suavitas mea, odor meus, dulcedo mea, cibus meus, refectio mea, refugium meum, auxilium meum, sapientia mea, portio mea, possessio mea, thesaurus meus, in quo fixa et firma et immobiliter semper sit radicata mens mea et cor meum. *Amen.*

Aspirationes.

ANIMA Christi, sanctifica me.
Corpus Christi, salva me.
Sanguis Christi, inebria me.
Aqua lateris Christi, lava me.
Passio Christi, conforta me.
O bone Iesu, exaudi me.
Intra tua vulnera absconde me.
Ne permittas me separari a te.
Ab hoste maligno defende me.
In hora mortis meae voca me,
Et iube me venire ad te
Ut cum sanctis tuis laudem te
In saecula saeculorum.
Amen.

Oblatio sui.

SUSCIPE, Domine, universam meam libertatem. Accipe memoriam, intellectum atque voluntatem omnem. Quidquid habeo vel possideo, mihi largitus es : id tibi totum restituo, ac tuae prorsus voluntati trado gubernandum. Amorem tui solum cum gratia tua mihi dones, et dives sum satis, nec aliud quidquam ultra posco.

Oratio ad D.N.I.C. crucifixum.

EN ego, O bone et dulcissime Iesu, ante conspectum tuum genibus me provolvo, ac maximo animi ardore te oro atque obtestor, ut meum in cor vividos fidei, spei et caritatis sensus, atque veram peccatorum meorum poenitentiam, eaque emendandi firmissimam voluntatem velis imprimere ; dum magno animi affectu et dolore tua quinque vulnera mecum ipse considero ac mente contemplor, illud prae oculis habens, quod iam in ore ponebat tuo David propheta de te, o bone Iesu :

Foderunt manus meas et pedes meos : dinumeraverunt omnia ossa mea.

OBSECRO te, dulcissime Domine Iesu Christe, ut passio tua sit mihi virtus qua muniar, protegar atque defendar; vulnera tua sint mihi cibus potusque, quibus pascar, inebrier atque delecter; aspersio sanguinis tui sit mihi ablutio omnium delictorum meorum; mors tua sit mihi vita indeficiens. Crux tua sit mihi gloria sempiterna. In his sit mihi refectio, exsultatio, sanitas et dulcedo cordis mei : qui vivis et regnas in saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Devotae Aspirationes ad Christum. I

QUIS es tu, Domine, et quis sum ego ?

Tunc venis ad me, Rex summus, ad infimum servum ?

Tu, qui de sinu Patris venisti in purissimum Virginis uterum, intrabis in hoc vas impurum et stabulum sordidum.

Scio, Domine, amor urget et vincet te. Eia veni, Domine, et noli tardare. Sed veniat, obsecro, tecum illa multum desiderabilis bonitas, mansuetudo, charitas et misericordia tua, per quam excusetur et iuvetur miseria mea.

Ecce, Domine, iam habeo te, qui habes omnia; possideo te, qui potes et possides omnia ! Ergo, o Deus meus et omnia, abstrahe cor meum a caeteris omnibus extra te, in quibus nil nisi vanitas et afflictio spiritus ; in te uno fixum sit cor meum : in te sit requies mea, ubi est thesaurus meus, summa veritas, et vera felicitas, et felix aeternitas.

Sentiat, o Domine, mens mea dulcedinem praesentiae tuae. Gustet quam suavis sis, Domine, ut inescata amore tui nihil quaerat extra te, unde gaudeat, quia tu es gaudium cordis mei, et pars mea, Deus in aeternum.

Tu es medicus animae meae, qui languores nostros tuo livore sanasti. Ego vero sum infirmus ille, ad quem sanandum de caelo venisti : itaque sana animam meam, quia peccavi tibi.

Tu es Pastor bonus, qui posuisti animam tuam pro ovibus tuis. Ecce ego ovis illa quae perierat, et tamen dignaris me pascere corpore et sanguine tuo : suscipe me nunc in humeros tuos. Quid negabis mihi, qui teipsum dedisti? Rege me, et nihil mihi deerit in loco pascuae, ubi me collocasti : donec ad pascua vitae aeternae perducar.

O lux vera ! quae illuminas omnem hominem venientem in hunc mundum, illumina oculos meos, ne unquam obdormiam in morte.

O ignis iugiter ardens, et nunquam deficiens ! ecce me tepidum et frigidum : ure renes meos et cor meum, ut ardeant amore tui. Ignem enim venisti mittere : et quid vis nisi ut accendatur.

O Rex caeli et terrae, dives in misericordia! ecce ego egenus et pauper sum, tu nosti ubi magis egeam ; tu solus me ditare et iuvare potes. Deus adiuva me, et ex thesauris bonitatis tuae succurre inopi animae meae.

O Dominus meus et Deus meus ! ecce servus tuus sum ego, da mihi intellectum, et excita affectum, ut sciam et faciam voluntatem tuam.

Tu es Agnus Dei, Agnus sine macula, qui tollis peccata mundi ; tolle de me quod mihi nocet et tibi displicet ; et da quod nosti tibi placere et mihi prodesse.

Tu es amor meus et omne gaudium. Tu es Deus meus et omnia. Tu es pars hereditatis meae et calicis mei, tu es qui restitues hereditatem meam mihi.

O Deus meus et omnia ! absorbeat, quaeso, mentem meam vis ignita et melliflua amoris tui, ut amore amoris tui mundo moriar, qui amore mei dignatus es in cruce mori, o Deus meus et omnia !

Devotae Aspirationes ad Christum. II

O IESU, dulcis hospes, prospere processeris ad hunc pauperculum et humilem servum. Intraveris fauste sub hoc angustissimum et vile tectum. Benedictus et superexaltatus qui venisti in cor meum, oriens ex alto.

O Rex pacifice ! fuga

ex animo et corde meo catervas vanarum cogitationum, ut te solum, pacis auctorem, contemplari et diligere queat anima mea. Ecquid, praeter te, o pax, tranquillitas et dulcedo cordis mei! quaerat et gustet anima mea?

O fons amoris perpetui! quomodo potero tui oblivisci, qui mei dignatus es recordari, et teipsum mihi dare? Fecisti, ultra omnem spem, misericordiam cum servo tuo; et ultra omne meritum gratiam et amicitiam exhibuisti. Quid retribuam tibi pro gratia ista?

Utinam possem tibi servire cunctis diebus vitae meae! utinam vel uno die dignum servitium exhibere sufficerem! Vere tu es dignus omni servitio, omni honore et laude aeterna. Vere Dominus meus es, et ego pauper servus tuus, qui totis viribus teneor tibi servire, nec unquam in laudibus tuis debeo fastidire. Sic volo, sic desidero; et quidquid mihi deest tu digneris supplere.

Concede mihi, benignissime Iesu, gratiam tuam, ut mecum sit et mecum laboret, mecumque usque in finem perseveret. Da mihi semper desiderare et velle quod tibi magis acceptum est et clarius placet. Tua voluntas mea sit, et mea voluntas tuam semper sequatur, et optime ei concordet. Sit mihi unum velle et nolle tecum; nec aliud posse velle, aut nolle, nisi quod tu vis et non vis.

Da mihi omnibus mori quae in mundo sunt, et propter te amare contemni et nesciri in hoc saeculo. Da mihi super omnia desiderata, in te quiescere et cor meum in te pacificare. Tu vera pax cordis, tu sola requies; extra te omnia sunt dura et inquieta. In hac pace in idipsum, hoc est in te uno, summo et aeterno bono, dormiam et requiescam. *Amen.*

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus.

OMNIPOTENS, sempiterne Deus, conservator animarum, mundique redemptor; me famulum tuum ante maiestatem tuam prostratum benignissime respice; et

hoc sacrificium quod in honorem nominis tui pro salute fidelium tam vivorum quam mortuorum, et pro peccatis et offensionibus meis obtuli, piissime respice. Iram tuam a me amove; gratiam et misericordiam tuam mihi concede; ianuam paradisi mihi pande; ab omnibus malis me potenter eripe; et quidquid reatu proprio commisi indulge. Sic in hoc saeculo praeceptis tuis me fac perseverare ut dignus efficiar electorum gregi copulari, te praestante, Deus meus, cuius nomen benedictum, honor atque regnum permanet in saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

OMNIPOTENS, sempiterne Deus, Iesu Christe Domine, esto propitius peccatis meis per assumptionem corporis et sanguinis tui; tu enim loquens dixisti, Qui manducat meam carnem et bibit meum sanguinem, in me manet et ego in eo. Ideo te supplex deprecor, ut in me cor mundum crees, et spiritum rectum in visceribus meis innoves; et spiritu principali me confirmare digneris; atque ab omnibus insidiis diaboli ac vitiis emundes, ut gaudiorum caelestium merear esse particeps: qui vivis et regnas, et es Deus, in saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Credo Domine.

CREDO, Domine, sed credam firmius; spero, Domine, sed sperem securius; amo, Domine, sed amem ardentius; doleo, Domine, sed doleam vehementius.

Adoro te ut primum principium; desidero, ut finem ultimum; laudo, ut benefactorem perpetuum; invoco, ut defensorem propitium.

Tua me sapientia dirige; iustitia contine; clementia solare; potentia protege.

Offero tibi, Deus, cogitanda, ut sint ad te; dicenda, ut sint de te; facienda, ut sint secundum te; ferenda, ut sint propter te.

Volo quidquid vis; volo quia vis; volo quomodo vis; volo quamdiu vis.

Oro, Domine, ut intellectum illumines; voluntatem inflammes; corpus

emundes ; animam sanctifices.

A superbia non inficiar ; ab adulatione non afficiar; a mundo non decipiar ; a Satana non circumveniar.

Gratiam praesta memoriam purgandi, linguam frenandi, oculos cohibendi, sensus coercendi.

Defleam praeteritas iniquitates ; repellam futuras tentationes ; corrigam vitiosas propensiones ; excolam idoneas virtutes.

Tribue mihi, bone Deus, amorem tui, odium mei, zelum proximi, contemptum mundi.

Studeam superioribus obedire, inferioribus subvenire, amicis consulere, nemini invidere.

Meminerim, o Iesu, mandati tui et exempli, inimicos diligendo, iniurias sufferendo, persequentibus benefaciendo, pro calumniantibus orando.

Vincam voluptatem austeritate, avaritiam largitate, iracundiam lenitate, tepiditatem pietate.

Redde me prudentem in consiliis, constantem in periculis, patientem in adversis, humilem in prosperis.

Fac, Dominè, ut sim in oratione attentus, in epulis sobrius, in munere sedulus, in proposito firmus.

Curem habere sanctitatem interiorem, modestiam exteriorem, conversationem exemplarem, vitam regularem.

Naturae invigilem domandae, gratiae fovendae, legi servandae, saluti promerendae.

Sanctimoniam assequar sincera peccatorum confessione, fervida corporis Christi communione, continua mentis recollectione, pura cordis intentione.

Discam a te, Deus, quam tenue quod terrenum, quam grande quod divinum, quam breve quod temporaneum, quam durabile quod aeternum.

Da mortem praeveniam, iudicium pertimeam, infernum effugiam, paradisum obtineam.

Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Clemens Papa XI

PRO GRATIARUM ACTIONE

TE Deum laudamus : te Dominum confitemur.

Te aeternum Patrem : omnis terra veneratur.

Tibi omnes Angeli : tibi coeli et universae Potestates :

Tibi Cherubim et Seraphim : incessabili voce proclamant :

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus : Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra : maiestatis gloriae tuae.

Te gloriosus : Apostolorum chorus,

Te Prophetarum : laudabilis numerus,

Te Martyrum candidatus : laudat exercitus.

Te per orbem terrarum: sancta confitetur Ecclesia,

Patrem : immensae maiestatis ;

Venerandum tuum verum : et unicum Filium ;

Sanctum quoque : Paraclitum Spiritum.

Tu Rex gloriae : Christe.

Tu Patris : sempiternus es Filius.

Tu, ad liberandum suscepturus hominem : non horruisti Virginis uterum.

Tu, devicto mortis aculeo : aperuisti credentibus regna caelorum.

Tu ad dexteram Dei sedes : in gloria Patris.

Judex crederis : esse venturus.*

Te ergo quaesumus tuis famulis subveni : quos pretioso sanguine redemisti.

Aeterna fac cum Sanctis tuis : in gloria numerari.

Salvum fac populum tuum, Domine : et benedic hereditati tuae.

Et rege eos : et extolle illos usque in aeternum.

Per singulos dies : benedicimus te ;

Et laudamus nomen tuum in saeculum : et in saeculum saeculi.

* Sequens versus dicitur flexis genibus.

Dignare, Domine, die isto : sine peccato nos custodire.

Miserere nostri, Domine : miserere nostri.

Fiat misericordia tua, Domine, super nos : quemadmodum speravimus in te.

In te, Domine, speravi : non confundar in aeternum.

℣. Benedicamus Patrem et Filium cum Sancto Spiritu.

℟. Laudemus, et superexaltemus eum in saecula.

℣. Benedictus es, Domine, in firmamento caeli.

℟. Et laudabilis et gloriosus et superexaltatus in saecula.

℣. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

℟. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

DEUS, cuius misericordiae non est numerus, et bonitatis infinitus est thesaurus : piissimae Maiestati tuae pro collatis donis gratias agimus, tuam semper clementiam exorantes ; ut, qui petentibus postulata concedis, eosdem non deserens, ad praemia futura disponas. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

OMNIPOTENS sempiterne Deus, qui dedisti famulis tuis in confessione verae fidei, aeternae Trinitatis gloriam agnoscere, et in potentia maiestatis adorare Unitatem : quaesumus ; ut eiusdem fidei firmitate, ab omnibus semper muniamur adversis. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

AN ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

THOU art worthy, O Lord, to receive power
And riches and wisdom and strength
And honour and glory and blessing :
We praise and magnify thee, O Lord.
Blessed be thy glorious Name,
That thy word hath sounded forth,
Not only in Jerusalem and Antioch,
In Athens and in Rome :
But in every place the faith of Christ
Is spread abroad :
All glory be to thee, O Lord.
For thy good soldiers in every age
Striving lawfully, enduring unto the end :
We bless and praise thy glorious Name.
For the wisdom of doctors,
The zeal of evangelists,
The eloquence of prophets :
We bless and praise thy glorious Name.
For the love of pastors,
For the praises of babes, the ministry of women,
The purity of the young, the fervour of the aged,
For all the signs of thy Presence,
For all the marks of thy Cross :
We bless and praise thy glorious Name.
For the light of thy everlasting Gospel,
Sent to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,
Shining so long amongst ourselves :
All glory be to thee, O Lord.
For thy Church, the pillar and ground of the Truth,
Against which the gates of hell shall not prevail :
All glory be to thee, O Lord.
For thy gracious word of promise,
That they that be wise shall shine
As the brightness of the firmament,
And they that turn many to righteousness
As the stars for ever and ever :
All glory be to thee, O Lord.

LITANIAE SSMI NOMINIS IESU

Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison.

Iesu, audi nos.
Iesu, exaudi nos.

PATER de caelis, Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Fili, Redemptor mundi, Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Spiritus Sancte, Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, Fili Dei vivi,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, splendor Patris,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, candor lucis aeternae,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, rex gloriae,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, sol iustitiae,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, Fili Mariae Virginis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu amabilis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu admirabilis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, Deus fortis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pater futuri saculi,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, magni consilii angele,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu potentissime,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu patientissime,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu obedientissime,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, mitis et humilis corde,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, amator castitatis
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, amator noster,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, Deus pacis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, auctor vitae,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, exemplar virtutum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, zelator animarum
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, Deus noster,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, refugium nostrum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pater pauperum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, thesaure fidelium,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, bone pastor,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, lux vera,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, sapientia aeterna,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, bonitas infinita,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, via et vita nostra,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, gaudium Angelorum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, rex Patriarcharum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, magister Apostolorum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, doctor Evangelistarum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, fortitudo Martyrum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, lumen Confessorum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, puritas Virginum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, corona sanctorum omnium,
Miserere nobis.

Propitius esto, Parce nobis, Iesu.
Propitius esto, Exaudi nos, Iesu.

AB omni malo,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Ab omni peccato,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Ab ira tua,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Ab insidiis diaboli,
Libera nos, Iesu.
A spiritu fornicationis,
Libera nos, Iesu.
A morte perpetua,
Libera nos, Iesu.
A neglectu inspirationum tuarum,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per mysterium sanctae incarnationis tuae,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per nativitatem tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per infantiam tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per divinissimam vitam tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per labores tuos,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per agoniam et passionem tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.

Per crucem et derelictionem tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per languores tuos,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per mortem et sepulturam tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per resurrectionem tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per ascensionem tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per sanctissimae Eucharistiae institutionem tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per gaudia tua,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per gloriam tuam,
Libera nos, Iesu.

AGNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Parce nobis, Iesu.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi : Exaudi nos, Iesu.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi : Miserei nobis, Iesu.

Iesu, audi nos.
Iesu, exaudi nos.

Oremus.

DOMINE Iesu Christe qui dixisti : Petite e accipietis ; quaerite et i venietis ; pulsate et ape ietur vobis : quaesumu da nobis petentibus div nissimi tui amoris affe tum, ut te toto corde, o et opere diligamus, et tua numquam laude ce semus.

Sancti Nominis tu Domine, timorem parit et amorem fac nobis h bere perpetuum ; qui numquam tua guberna tione destituis, quos i soliditate tuae dilection instituis : qui vivis e regnas in saecula saecu lorum. *Amen.*

LITANIAE IN HONOREM D.N.I.C. SACERDOTIS ET VICTIMAE

Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison.

Christe, audi nos.
Christe, exaudi nos.

PATER de caelis, Deus,
Miserere nobis.

Fili, Redemptor mundi, Deus,
Miserere nobis.

Spiritus Sancte, Deus,
Miserere nobis.

Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus,
Miserere nobis,

Iesu, sacerdos in aeternum,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, appellate a Deo pontifex iuxta ordinem Melchisedech,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex quem unxit Deus Spiritu Sancto et virtute,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex magne,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex ex hominibus assumpte,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex pro hominibus constitute,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex confessionis nostrae,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex amplioris prae Moyse gloriae,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex tabernaculi veri,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex futurorum bonorum,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex sancte, innocens et impollute,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex fidelis,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex misericors,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex benefice,
Miserere nobis.

Iesu, pontifex Dei et animarum zelo succense,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex in aeternum perfecte,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex qui penetravit caelos,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex sedens ad dexteram maiestatis in excelsis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex nunc apparens vultui Dei pro nobis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex qui initiavit nobis viam novam et viventem,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex qui dilexit et lavit nos a peccatis in sanguine suo,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex qui fecit nos regnum et sacerdotes Deo Patri,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, pontifex qui tradidit semetipsum pro nobis oblationem et hostiam Deo,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia Dei et hominum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia sancta,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia immaculata
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia accepta,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia placabilis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia solemnis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia magnifica,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia laudis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia pacifica.
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia propitiationis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia reconciliationis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia salutis,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia in qua habemus fiduciam et accessum ad Deum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia quae feci utraque unum,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia mactata ab origine mundi,
Miserere nobis.
Iesu, hostia vivens in saecula saeculorum,
Miserere nobis.

Propitius esto, Parce nobis, Iesu.
Propitius esto, Exaudi nos, Iesu.

AB omni malo,
Libera nos, Iesu.
A peccato sacrilegii,
Libera nos, Iesu.
A spiritu incontinentiae,
Libera nos, Iesu.
A turpi quaestu,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Ab omni simoniae labe,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Ab indigna opum ecclesiasticarum dispensatione,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Ab amore mundi eiusque pomparum,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Ab indigna mysteriorum celebratione,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per aeternum sacerdotium tuum,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per sanctam Divinitatis unctionem qua a Deo Patre in sacerdotem inauguratus fuisti,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per sacerdotalem spiritum tuum,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per ministerium illud quo Patrem tuum super terram clarificasti,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per cruentam tui ipsius immolationem semel in cruce factam,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per illud idem sacrificium in altari quotidie renovatum,
Libera nos, Iesu.
Per divinam illam potestatem, quam in sacerdotibus tuis unicus et invisibilis sacerdos exerces,
Libera nos, Iesu.

UT omnes ecclesiasticos ordines in sancta religione conservare digneris,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut fiat in illis spiritus sacerdotii tui,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut labia sacerdotum scientiam custodiant,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut in messem tuam mittas operarios inconfusibiles,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut ministros tuos efficias flammam ignis,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut suscites pastores secundum cor tuum,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut omnes sacerdotio fungentes irreprehensibiles sint et sine macula,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut qui viderint ministros

altaris, Dominum venerentur,

Te rogamus, audi nos.

Ut sint offerentes tibi sacrificia in iustitia,

Te rogamus, audi nos.

Ut per eos sanctissimi sacramenti cultum ubique promovere digneris,

Te rogamus, audi nos.

Sacerdos et victima,

Te rogamus, audi nos.

AGNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Parce nobis, Iesu.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Exaudi nos, Iesu.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis, Iesu.

Iesu, sacerdos, Audi nos.

Iesu, victima, Exaudi nos.

Oremus.

DOMINE Iesu, apostole et pontifex confessionis nostrae, qui cum in forma Dei esses exinanisti temetipsum, et per omnia fratribus similari voluisti, ut misericors fieres et fidelis pontifex ad Deum, et repropitiares delicta populi; compatere, quae sumus, infirmitatibus nostris; emunda per sanguinem tuum conscientiam nostram ab operibus mortuis ad serviendum Deo viventi, et praesta ut adeuntes cum fiducia ad thronum gratiae, misericordiam consequamur, et gratiam inveniamus in auxilio opportuno; qui vivis et regnas in saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

DEUS, qui ad Maiestatis tuae gloriam et generis humani salutem Unigenitum tuum summum constituisti sacerdotem, praesta ut quos mysteriorum suorum elegisti cooperatores et dispensatores, ministerium quod acceperunt fideliter impleant.

DEUS, tuorum gloria sacerdotum, qui ad immortales triumphos ecclesiam extulisti qui fideliter mirabile isterium suum implevere unt; praesta ut eorum intuentes exitum conversationis, virtutes imitemur. Per Dominum.

LITANIAE SANCTISSIMI SACRAMENTI

Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison.

Christe, audi nos.
Christe, exaudi nos.

PATER de caelis, Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Fili, redemptor mundi, Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Spiritus Sancte, Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus,
Miserere nobis.
Panis vive, qui de caelo descendisti,
Miserere nobis.
Deus abscondite et salvator,
Miserere nobis.
Frumentum electorum,
Miserere nobis.
Vinum germinans virgines,
Miserere nobis.
Panis pinguis et deliciae regum,
Miserere nobis.
Iuge sacrificium,
Miserere nobis.
Oblatio munda,
Miserere nobis.
Agnus absque macula,
Miserere nobis.
Mensa purissima,
Miserere nobis.
Angelorum esca,
Miserere nobis.
Manna absconditum,
Miserere nobis.
Memoria mirabilium Dei,
Miserere nobis.
Panis supersubstantialis,
Miserere nobis.
Verbum caro factum,
Miserere nobis.
Habitans in nobis,
Miserere nobis.
Hostia sancta,
Miserere nobis.
Calix benedictionis,
Miserere nobis.
Mysterium fidei,
Miserere nobis.
Praecelsum et venerabile sacramentum,
Miserere nobis.

Sacrificium omnium sanctissimum,
Miserere nobis.
Vere propitiatorium pro vivis et defunctis,
Miserere nobis.
Caeleste antidotum, quo a peccatis praeservamur,
Miserere nobis.
Stupendum supra omnia miraculum,
Miserere nobis.
Sacratissima Dominicae passionis commemoratio,
Miserere nobis.
Donum transcendens omnem plenitudinem,
Miserere nobis.
Memoriale praecipuum divini amoris,
Miserere nobis.
Divinae affluentia largitatis,
Miserere nobis.
Sacrosanctum et augustissimum mysterium,
Miserere nobis.
Pharmacum immortalitatis,
Miserere nobis.
Tremendum ac vivificum sacramentum,
Miserere nobis.
Panis, omnipotentia Verbi, caro factus,
Miserere nobis.
Incruentum sacrificium,
Miserere nobis.
Cibus et conviva,
Miserere nobis.
Dulcissimum convivium cui assistunt angeli ministrantes,
Miserere nobis.
Sacramentum pietatis,
Miserere nobis.
Vinculum charitatis,
Miserere nobis.
Offerens et oblatio,
Miserere nobis.
Spiritualis dulcedo, in proprio fonte degustata,
Miserere nobis.
Refectio animarum sanctarum,
Miserere nobis.
Viaticum in Domino morientium,
Miserere nobis.
Pignus futurae gloriae,
Miserere nobis.

Propitius esto, Parce nobis, Domine.
Propitius esto, Exaudi nos, Domine.

AB indigna corporis et sanguinis tui susceptione,
Libera nos, Domine.
A concupiscentia carnis,
Libera nos, Domine.
A concupiscentia oculorum,
Libera nos, Domine.

A superbia vitae,
Libera nos, Domine.
Ab omni peccandi occasione,
Libera nos, Domine.
Per desiderium illud quo hoc pascha cum discipulis manducare desiderasti,
Libera nos, Domine.
Per summam humilitatem qua discipulorum pedes lavasti,
Libera nos, Domine.
Per ardentissimam charitatem qua hoc divinum sacramentum instituisti,
Libera nos, Domine.
Per sanguinem tuum pretiosum, quem nobis in altari reliquisti,
Libera nos, Domine.
Per quinque vulnera huius tui corporis sacratissimi, quae pro nobis suscepisti,
Libera nos, Domine.

PECCATORES, Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut in nobis fidem, reverentiam et devotionem huius admirabilis sacramenti augere et conservare digneris,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut ad frequentem usum Eucharistiae per veram peccatorum confessionem nos perducere digneris,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut nos ab omni haeresi, perfidia, ac cordis caecitate liberare digneris,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut sanctissimi huius sacramenti pretiosos et caelestes fructus nobis impertiri digneris,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut in hora mortis nostrae hoc caelesti viatico nos confortare et munire digneris,
Te rogamus, audi nos.
Fili Dei,
Te rogamus, audi nos.

Agnus Dei, etc.

Christe, audi nos.
Christe, exaudi nos.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui nobis sub sacramento mirabili passionis tuae memoriam reliquisti; tribue, quaesumus, ita nos corporis et sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari, ut redemptionis tuae fructum in nobis iugiter sentiamus. Qui vivis.

LITANY OF THE HOLY GHOST

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

O GOD the Father, of heaven,
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Ghost, the Comforter,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, who at the beginning didst move upon the face of the waters,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, by whose inspiration holy men of old spake as they were moved,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, Power of the Highest, that didst overshadow Mary,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, through whom the holy Child Jesus waxed strong in spirit, and was filled with wisdom,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, who didst descend like a dove, and light upon Christ our Lord at his baptism,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, of whom Jesus was led up into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, eternal Spirit, through whom Christ our Priest and Victim offered himself without spot to God,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, who on the day of Pentecost didst descend upon the Apostles in the likeness of fiery tongues,
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, by whom we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true

knowledge of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ,

Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, by whom the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified,

Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, by whom we were new-born in Baptism,

Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, who didst strengthen us with thy sevenfold gifts at Confirmation,

Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, who makest intercession for us with groanings that cannot be uttered,

Have mercy upon us.

O Holy Ghost, by whom the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts,

Have mercy upon us.

By thy eternal procession from the Father and the Son,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

By thy glorious work in the mystery of the Incarnation,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

By thy lighting as a dove upon Jesus at his baptism,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

By thy descent in likeness of fire on the day of Pentecost,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

By thy life-giving power and might,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

By thine all-powerful intercession,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

By thy continual abiding in the Church,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From all sin,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From presumption and despair,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From impenitence and hardness of heart,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From all impurity, whether of mind or body, and from all that has ever defiled thy temple in our souls,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From the spirit of thoughtlessness and levity,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From the spirit of covetousness and self-seeking,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From the lust of honour and the pride of life,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From deafness to thy calls and warnings,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From neglect of thy graces and inspirations,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

From that sin against thee which has no forgiveness,

Deliver us, O Holy Spirit.

[In our preparation for the work of the ministry,

Help us, O Holy Spirit.

In the solemn hour of Ordination,

Help us, O Holy Spirit.]

[In our dealings with souls committed to our charge,

Help us, O Holy Spirit.]

In success and in failure,

Help us, O Holy Spirit.

In the solemn account that we must one day give,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Holy Spirit, that it may please thee to guide thy holy Church universal into all truth, and to fill it with thy love,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

That we may be carefu to keep the unity of th Spirit in the bond o peace,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

That, as we live in th Spirit, we may also wall in the Spirit,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

That we may renounc the devil, the world, an the flesh,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

That we may mortify th deeds of the body,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

That we may grow i grace, and in the know ledge of our Lord an Saviour, Jesus Christ,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

That with sincerity o purpose we may aim in al things at God's greate glory,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

That we may in al our thoughts, words and works be more conformed to the life and passion of the Lord Jesus,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

[That we may be gentle apt to teach, patient, i meekness instructing those that oppose themselves,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit

That we may rightly and duly administer thy holy sacraments,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

That we may ever reverently handle and devoutly receive the blessed sacrament of the body and blood of Christ,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

That we may be able to shew forth thy light in the world, and be holy examples to the flock of Christ,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

That we may be replenished with thy sevenfold gifts, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and the spirit of thy holy fear,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

That in our ministry we may not care to please, nor fear to displease, any but him who has called us to his service,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

That we count not our lives dear unto us, so that we may finish our course with joy, and the ministry received of the Lord Jesus,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

That we may ever be mindful of that solemn account, which, for ourselves and others, we must one day give at the judgement-seat of Christ,

Hear us, O Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit,

We beseech thee to hear us.

Lord and Giver of Life,

We beseech thee to hear us.

O Lord, who didst descend at Pentecost,

Have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;

℟. But deliver us from evil.

℣. The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost ;

℟. He shall teach you all things.

Let us pray.

GOD, who didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit ; Grant

us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, th Giver of all goo gifts, who of thy divi providence hast appoin ed divers orders in th Church; Give thy grac we humbly beseech the to all those who are calle to any office and admini tration in the same; an so replenish them with th truth of thy doctrine, an endue them with innocen cy of life, that they ma faithfully serve before the to the glory of thy grea Name and the benefit thy holy Church; throug Jesus Christ our Lor *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lor Jesus Christ, and th love of God, and the fe lowship of the Holy Ghos be with us all evermor *Amen.*

LITANY FOR MISSIONS

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

O GOD the Father, who hast made of one blood all the nations of the earth,

Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, who hast redeemed all mankind from the power of darkness,

Have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Ghost, who didst move upon the face of the waters, Giver of life and light, by whom the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified,

Have mercy upon us.

O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Three Persons in one God, Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier,

Have mercy upon us.

Our past unfaithfulness,

O Lord, forgive.

Our neglect of opportunities,

O Lord, forgive.

Our deafness to thy calls,

O Lord, forgive.

Our slothfulness and want of zeal,

O Lord, forgive.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation,

Jesu, hear and save.

By the offering of thy sacrifice upon the cross,

Jesu, hear and save.

By the presentation of that sacrifice in heaven,

Jesu, hear and save.

By thy gift of the Holy Ghost to thine Apostles,

Jesu, hear and save.

By thine ever-abiding presence with thy Church,

Jesu, hear and save.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, that it may please thee to bless thy holy Church, which thou hast purchased with thy most precious blood,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That it may please thee to grant her that peace and unity which is agreeable to thy will,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That thou wouldest

heal all dissensions among Christians, which hinder the spread of thy gospel,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That thou wouldest quicken the energies of thy Church in this land,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That thou wouldest make her truly catholic in faith and love,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That thou wouldest put into her heart to give the best and noblest of her sons,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

For all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively word,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That, according to catholic order and godly discipline, they may rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

For all missionary bishops, for . . . for all missionary priests, deacons, and catechists, especially for . . .

Hear us, we beseech thee.

For all religious communities, especially for those working overseas,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That thou wouldest in crease the number of apo tolic labourers, and gran them the abundance thy blessing,

Hear us, we beseech thee

That by them thy hol Name may be glorifie and thy blessed kingdo enlarged,

Hear us, we beseech thee

That it may please the to sanctify all those wh preach to others, tha their own souls may b saved in the day of thin appearing,

Hear us, we beseech thee

That it may please the to keep alive in thei hearts the fire of divin love and all Christia graces,

Hear us, we beseech thee

That it may please the to give them an earnes love of souls, wisdom t win them, diligence t keep them, and undyin zeal for their perfection,

Hear us, we beseech thee

That it may please the to enlighten their under standing, giving them apt ness to teach, and powe to convince the gainsayers

Hear us, we beseech thee

That it may please the

to grant them the gift of languages for making known thy truth,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That it may please thee to supply their necessities, and to preserve them in all dangers, both of body and soul,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That it may please thee to pardon the sins of Christians in heathen lands, and to make them examples of holy living to those among whom they dwell,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That it may please thee to convert the Mohammedans, Buddhists, Hindoos, and all heathens, and to gather into thy fold thy ancient people, the Jews,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That by the power of thy good Spirit, they may be brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That it may please thee to confirm and strengthen with the fulness of thy grace all converts to the faith, giving them perseverance unto the end,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

That it may please thee to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom,

Hear us, we beseech thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father.

℣. Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens ;

℟. And thy glory above all the earth.

℣. Give thy Son the heathen for his inheritance ;

℟. And the utmost parts of the earth for his possession.

℣. Let all nations whom thou hast made ;

℟. Come and worship thee, O Lord.

℣. Let thy Name be great among the heathen, O Lord of hosts ;

℟. And in every place let incense be offered to thy Name, and a pure offering.

℣. The Lord's Name be praised ;

℟. From the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are afar off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all the peoples of the world may seek after thee and find thee; and hasten, O Lord, the fulfilment of thy promise to pour out thy Spirit on all flesh; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Missions

℣. Not by might nor by power;

℟. But by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.

Let us pray.

O GREAT Lord of the harvest, send forth, we beseech thee, labourers into the harvest of the world, that the grain which is even now ripe may not fall and perish through our neglect. Pour forth thy sanctifying Spirit on our fellow-Christians, and thy converting grace on the heathen.

Raise up, we beseech thee, a devout ministry among the native believers, that, all thy people being knit together in one body in love, thy holy Church may grow up into the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ; through him who died and rose again for us all, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Bishop Milman

For the Jews

℣. Ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence and give him no rest;

℟. Till he establish and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

Let us pray.

O GOD, the God of Abraham, look upon thine everlasting covenant, and cause the captivity of Judah and of Israel to return. They are thy people, O be thou their Saviour, that all who love Jerusalem and mourn for her may rejoice with her; for Jesus Christ's sake, their Saviour and ours. *Amen.*

Bishop Wilson

For the Heathen

℣. It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel ;

℟. I will also give thee for a Light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the ends of the earth.

Let us pray.

O GOD of all the nations of the earth, remember the multitudes of the heathen, who, though created in thine image, are perishing in their ignorance ; and according to the propitiation of thy Son Jesus Christ, grant that by the prayers and labours of thy holy Church they may be delivered from all superstition and unbelief, and brought to worship thee ; through him whom thou hast sent to be our salvation, the Resurrection and the Life of all the faithful, the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

St. Francis Xavier.

For Catechumens

℣. According to his mercy he saved us ;

℟. By the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost.

Let us pray.

REMEMBER, O Lord, all who in heathen lands are under instruction for holy Baptism ; have mercy upon them and confirm them in the faith ; remove all the remains of idolatry and superstition from their hearts, that, being devoted to thy law, they may grow to a firm knowledge of the word in which they have been instructed, and may be found worthy to be made an habitation of the Holy Ghost, by the laver of regeneration, for the remission of their sins ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* *Basilian.*

For the Perseverance of the Baptized

℣. They will go from strength to strength ;

℟. And unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

Let us pray.

O GOD, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is multiplied and ruled; Preserve in the newborn offspring of thy family the grace of sanctification which thou hast given; and grant that they, being renewed both in body and mind, and earnestly cleaving unto the unity of the faith, may be enabled faithfully to serve thee their Lord; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.* *Gelasian.*

For Missionaries

O CHRIST, the true Priest, whose priesthood abideth for ever; Let thy power come to the aid of thy servants for whom we pray, that they may diligently discharge their priesthood according to thy pleasure; and, as they have received their talents to be profitably employed as the Spirit giveth ability, so may they at last lay them on thy table with abundant gain, that they may become worthy to hear that voice full of hope, Enter into the joy that has no end. May they go on, O Lord, from strength to strength; lift them up while they worship thee; perfect thy gifts in them, and crown their heads with a diadem and in their hearts, as in an ark, may thy grace be stored up; grant them thine abundant help, and fill their labours with power. *Amen.*

Syro-Nestorian Ordinal

O MOST merciful Saviour and Redeemer who wouldest not that any should perish, but that all men should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth: Fulfil thy gracious promise to be present with those who are gone forth in thy Name to preach the gospel of salvation in distant lands. Be with them in all perils by land or by water, in sickness and distress, in weariness and painfulness, in disappointment and persecution. Bless them, we beseech thee, with thy continual favour, and send thy Holy

Spirit to guide them into all truth. O Lord, let thy ministers be clothed with righteousness, and grant that thy word spoken by their mouths may never be spoken in vain. Endue them with power from on high; and so prosper thy work in their hands, that the fulness of the Gentiles may be gathered in, and all Israel be saved. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy's sake; and grant that all who are called by thy Name may be one in thee, and may abound more and more in prayers and in free-will offerings for the extension of thy kingdom throughout the world; to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For Missions

O LORD Jesus Christ, who didst charge thine Apostles that they should preach the Gospel to every nation; Prosper, we pray thee, all missions both at home and abroad, [especially . . .]; give them all things needed for their work, making them to be centres of spiritual life, to the quickening of many souls, and the glory of thy holy Name. Support, guide, and bless the clergy, who are called to labour in those parts of thy vineyard; give them grace to witness to the faith; endue them with burning zeal and love; make them patient under all disappointments, and meekly submissive under all persecutions, that they may turn many to righteousness, and may themselves win a crown of everlasting glory; who livest and reignest God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For Colonists and others destitute of the Means of Grace

O ALMIGHTY God, have pity on our brethren who are perishing for lack of opportunities of grace. Pardon them, if through desire of gain they have forgotten and forsaken the privileges of thy Church; and grant that faithful priests, ministering to thine inheritance, may train the young, instruct the ignorant, tend the sick, win

the hardened, reconcile the penitent, and perfect thy saints to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Mohammedans

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker and Father of all men; regard not our sins, but remember the souls whom thou hast made, and reveal to the children of Islam thy fatherly love; that they may know thee truly whom now they ignorantly worship, through the revelation of thy only begotten Son, Jesus Christ who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, three Persons in one only God, blessed for evermore. *Amen.*

℣. The Lord be with you;

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. May the Almighty and merciful Lord graciously hear us;

℟. Amen.

℣. May our Lord, of his mercy, grant unto us with all the faithful, rest and peace;

℟. Amen.

OCCASIONAL PRAYERS

For the Peace and Unity of the Church

Ant. Jerusalem is built: as a city, that is at unity in itself.

℣. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem;

℟. They shall prosper that love thee.

Let us pray.

VOUCHSAFE, we beseech thee, Almighty God, to grant to the whole Christian people unity, peace, and true concord both visible and invisible through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesu Christ who saidst to thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; Regard not my sins, but the faith of thy Church, and grant her that peace and unity which

is according to thy will ; who livest and reignest God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For the Bishop

Ant. Thy children : shall be princes in all lands.

℣. Behold, O God, our defender ;

℟. And look upon the face of thine anointed.

Let us pray.

O GOD, the Pastor and Ruler of thy faithful servants, look down in mercy upon thy servant *N.* our bishop, to whom thou hast given charge over this diocese, and evermore guide, defend, comfort, sanctify, and save him ; and grant him by thy grace so to advance in word and good example, that he, with the flock committed to him, may attain to everlasting life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Priests

Ant. Woe is me : for I am undone ; for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.

℣. Lo, this hath touched thy lips ;

℟. And thy sin is purged.

Let us pray.

O THOU Good Shepherd, who didst lay down thy life for thy sheep, and who dost ever nourish them with the spiritual food of thy most precious body and blood ; We pray thee to quicken with thy divine charity the hearts of those whom thou dost choose to be pastors of thy flock, that they may resolve gladly to spend whatsoever thou hast given them in ministering to the salvation of thine elect servants, and to thine own eternal praise and glory ; who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Or,

O GOD, who makest thine angels spirits, and thy ministers a flame of fire ; Vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to stir up and confirm the sacred grace of Orders in all stewards of thy mysteries;

that as ministering spirits they may gather out of thy kingdom all things that offend, and may kindle in the hearts of all that fire which thou camest to send upon the earth; who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For Clergy and People

Ant. How beautiful: upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace.

℣. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness;

℟. And thy saints sing with joyfulness.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels: Send down upon the clergy of this diocese, and all congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing; Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For the Parish

Ant. I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon thy seed and my blessing upon thine offspring.

℣. Turn thee again, thou God of hosts;

℟. Look down from heaven, behold and visit this vine.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of us thy servants and grant unto this parish [*and . . .*] all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare [schools wherein to bring up the young in thy faith and fear; ministers to labour in this portion of thy vineyard; a church complete in the beauty of holiness]. Strengthen and confirm the faithful; protect and guide the chil-

dren; visit and relieve the sick and afflicted; turn and soften the wicked; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of thy truth; and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of thy holy Church, to the honour and glory of thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Conversion of Sinners

Ant. Turn us: O God, our Saviour, and let thine anger cease from us.

℣. O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end;

℟. But guide thou the just.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee to hear our prayers for such as sin against thee, or neglect to serve thee; that thou wouldest vouchsafe to bestow upon them true repentance, and an earnest longing for thy service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Perseverance of the Faithful

Ant. Thy God: hath sent forth strength for thee; stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us.

℣. They will go from strength to strength;

℟. And unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

Let us pray.

VOUCHSAFE, we beseech thee, O Lord, to strengthen and confirm all thy faithful, and to lift them up more and more continually to heavenly desires; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For a Retreat

Ant. Come, my people, enter into thy chamber, and shut thy doors about thee.

℣. Let us go three days' journey into the wilderness;

℟. That we may sacri-

fice unto the Lord our God.

Let us pray.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who didst say to thine Apostles, Come ye apart into a desert place and rest awhile, for there were many coming and going; Grant, we beseech thee, to thy servants here gathered together, that they may rest awhile at this present time with thee. May they so seek thee, whom their souls desire to love, that they may both find thee, and be found of thee. And grant such love and such wisdom to accompany the words which shall be spoken in thy Name, that they may not fall to the ground, but may be helpful in leading us onward through the toils of our pilgrimage to that rest which remaineth to the people of God; where, nevertheless, they rest not day and night from thy perfect service, who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, livest and reignest ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For a Theological College

Ant. I will not : leav thee until I have don that which I have spoke to thee of.

℣. Except the Lor build the house;

℟. Their labour is bu lost that build it.

Let us pray.

VOUCHSAFE, O mer ciful Jesus, to direc and prosper all that designed and done for th welfare of thy servants i this College; and gran that all who dwell therei may work together for th good of each other, to th honour and glory. *Amen*

O THOU true Ligh that lightest ever man that cometh into th world, do thou in thy me cy touch the hearts an lighten the understand ings of all who are her gathered together to pr pare for thy service, tha they may readily acknow ledge and cheerfully obe all that thou wouldes have them believe an practise, to the benefit

thy holy Church and their own salvation. *Amen.*

REMEMBER, O gracious Lord, for good all who have left us to minister in thy kingdom; pour out upon them evermore thy Holy Spirit to strengthen, deepen, chasten, purify them; that, giving themselves up to thy service, they may do and suffer all that thou willest, and finally may reign with thee in life everlasting. *Amen.*

AND pardon, O Lord, through the virtue of thy most precious blood, the sins and infirmities of those whom thou hast set to bear rule in this College; that in all things they may labour for the advancement of thy kingdom, and the glory of thy holy Name; who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

WE pray thee also to bless all those whom thou hast called from bearing office or teaching in this College to labour in other parts of thy vineyard. Forgive them their sins, and strengthen them with thy Holy Spirit, that they may build up thy Church, guide wanderers into the way of truth, and convert sinners unto thee; who art blessed, and dost live and govern all things, world without end. *Amen.*

WE commend unto thy mercy, O Lord, *N.* our founder, and all other thy servants (members of this College), who are departed hence from us with the sign of faith, and now do rest in the sleep of peace. Grant them, we beseech thee, thy mercy and everlasting peace, and that in the day of the general resurrection, we, and all they that be of the mystical body of thy Son, may together be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice: Come unto me, O ye that be blessed of my Father, and possess the kingdom which is prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

O EVERLASTING God, who art ever adored by the holy angels, yet dost choose men to be the stewards of thy mysteries; Bless, we beseech thee, the work of this College, and prosper the intentions of *N.*, its founder; that they, who cannot do any good without thee, may by thee be won to purity and love, and illuminated with a true knowledge of thy Word and Sacraments; and so, being made able ministers of the New Testament, may advance thy glory and the salvation of thy elect servants; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL Jesus, who, when thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, didst not abhor the Virgin's womb; Vouchsafe evermore to dwell in the hearts of us thy servants; inspire us with thy purity; strengthen us with thy might; make us perfect in thy ways; guide us into thy truth; and unite us to thyself and to thy whole Church by thy holy mysteries; that we may conquer every adverse power, and may be wholly devoted to thy service and conformed to thy will to the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

GRANT us, we beseech thee, Almighty God, so to be clothed with righteousness, that we may worthily rejoice in the joy of thy saints, and, being cleansed from all stain of sin, to be numbered with thy priests, who please thee; that we, who are burdened with the consciousness of our guilt, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Ordinands

ECCLESIAE tuae, Deus, sanctificator et custos, suscita in ea per Spiritum tuum idoneos et fideles sanctorum mysteriorum dispensatores; ut eorum ministerio et exemplo christiana plebs in viam salutis, te protegente, dirigatur.

Bone Pastor, qui animam tuam posuisti pro ovibus tuis, et easdem carnis et sanguinis tui ali

mento vivificas ; reple eodem charitatis spiritu quos ad gregis tui custodiam destinasti, ut libentissime pro salute ovium tuarum et impendant sua, et seipsos superimpendant ; qui vivis.

For renewal of the grace of Ordination

RESUSCITA in nobis, Domine, gratiam salutarem quem per manuum impositionem nobis largiri dignatus es ; ut quos tibi ministros consecrasti, fideles dispensatores inveniamur.

Deus, qui summus sacerdos et hostia, tuo corpore et sanguine reficis ministros quos tibi consecrasti ; concede, quaesumus, ut tui sacerdotii consortes digne ambulemus vocatione qua vocati sumus, et plebem tuam pascere studeamus verbo et exemplo ; qui vivis.

Deus, qui facis angelos tuos spiritus, et ministros flammam ignis ; emitte Spiritum tuum et renova faciem cleri ; ut sacerdotes, velut administratorii spiritus in ministerium missi, de regno tuo tollant omnia scandala, et ignem quem venisti mittere in terram in omnium cordibus accendant. Per Christum.

Before Study of Holy Scripture

Ejaculations.

Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth.

Open thou mine eyes, that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.

Prayer.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who art the Truth incarnate and the Teacher of the faithful ; Let thy Spirit be present with us in reading thy word, and conform our hearts to thy revelations, that learning of thee with honest hearts, we may be rooted and built up in thee, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

After Study of Holy Scripture

NE sit nobis, Domine Iesu, ad iudicium verbum tuum auditum et non factum, cognitum nec amatum, creditum et non

servatum, qui cum Patre et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas Deus in saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Thomas à Kempis.

TE rogo, Deus meus, ut praeveniente et subsequente misericordia tua, quaecumque salubriter scienda nescio, doceas me; in his quae vera novi, custodias me; in quibus veris titubo, confirmes me; in quibus ut homo fallor, corrigas me; a falsis et noxiis eripias me; et ea facias de ore meo procedere, quae et coram tua veritate principaliter grata, et fiant fidelibus cunctis accepta, per Iesum Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

St. Fulgentius.

CREATOR ineffabilis, Domine Deus ac Deus meus, qui verus fons luminis et sapientiae diceris atque supereminens principium; infundere digneris super intellectus mei tenebras tuae radium claritatis, duplices a me removens tenebras, peccatum scilicet et ignorantiam in qua natus sum. Tu qui linguas infantium facis esse disertas, linguam meam erudias, atque in labiis meis gratiam tuae benedictionis infundas. Da mihi intelligendi acumen, retinendi capacitatem, interpretandi subtilitatem, addiscendi facilitatem, et eloquendi gratiam copiosam. Ingressum instruas, progressum dirigas, egressum compleas. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

St. Thomas Aquinas.

For Conformity to the Life of Jesus Christ

DOMINE Iesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, concede mihi fragili et misero peccatori vitam et mores tuos prae oculis cordis semper habere, et pro mea possibilitate imitari; facque me in ipsis proficere et crescere in virum perfectum, et in templum sanctum in Domino. Illustra quaeso, cor meum lumine gratiae tuae, quae me iugiter praeveniat et sequatur; ut te ductorem in omnibus viis meis habens, cuncta quae tibi placent, implere, et quae tibi displicent, vitare pos-

sim. Dirige, obsecro, cogitationes, sermones, et actiones meas in lege tua, et in praeceptis tuis, o Altissime, ut in omnibus voluntatem tuam faciens, hic et in aeternum per te merear salvus esse. *Amen.*

Ludolphus.

REMEMBER, O Lord, what thou hast wrought in us and not what we deserve; and as thou hast called us to thy service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HYMNS

1 Sunset

Φῶς ἱλαρὸν ἁγίας δόξης
ἁγίου, μάκαρος,
ἀθανάτου Πατρὸς οὐρανίου,
Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ,
ἐλθόντες ἐπὶ τὴν ἡλίου δύσιν
ἰδόντες φῶς ἑσπερινόν,
ὑμνοῦμεν Πατέρα, καὶ Υἱόν,
καὶ Ἅγιον Πνεῦμα Θεοῦ.

ἄξιόν σε ἐν πᾶσι καιροῖς
ὑμνεῖσθαι φωναῖς ὁσίαις,
υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ζωὴν ὁ δίδους,
διὸ ὁ κόσμος σε δοξάζει.

2 Prime

IAM lucis orto sidere,
Deum precemur supplices,
Ut in diurnis actibus
Nos servet a nocentibus.

Linguam refrenans temperet,
Ne litis horror insonet ;
Visum fovendo contegat,
Ne vanitates hauriat.

Sint pura cordis intima,
Absistat et vecordia ;
Carnis terat superbiam
Potus cibique parcitas.

Ut cum dies abscesserit,
Noctemque sors reduxerit
Mundi per abstinentiam
Ipsi canamus gloriam.

*Deo Patri sit gloria,
Eiusque soli Filio,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,
Nunc et per omne saeculum. Amen.

3 Terce

NUNC, Sancte, nobis Spiritus,
Unum Patri cum Filio,
Dignare promptus ingeri
Nostro refusus pectori.

Os, lingua, mens, sensus vigor
Confessionem personent,
Flammescat igne caritas
Accendat ardor proximos.

*Praesta, Pater piissime
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito
Regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

* This doxology changes with the season.

4 Sext

RECTOR potens, verax Deus,
Qui temperas rerum vices,
Splendore mane illuminas,
Et ignibus meridiem :

Exstingue flammas litium,
Aufer calorem noxium,
Confer salutem corporum,
Veramque pacem cordium.

*Praesta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito
Regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

5 None

RERUM, Deus, tenax vigor,
Immotus in te permanens,
Lucis diurnae tempora
Successibus determinans :

Largire lumen vespere,
Quo vita nusquam decidat,
Sed praemium mortis sacrae
Perennis instet gloria.

*Praesta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito
Regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

6 Vespers

LUCIS Creator optime,
Lucem dierum proferens,
Primordiis lucis novae
Mundi parans originem ;

Qui mane iunctum vesperi
Diem vocari praecipis,
Illabitur tetrum chaos,
Audi preces cum fletibus.

Ne mens gravata crimine
Vitae sit exul munere,
Dum nil perenne cogitat,
Seseque culpis illigat.

Caeleste pulset ostium,
Vitale tollat praemium ;
Vitemus omne noxium ;
Purgemus omne pessimum.

*Praesta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,
Regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

7 Compline

TE lucis ante terminum
Rerum Creator, poscimus,
Ut pro tua clementia
Sis praesul et custodia.

* This doxology changes with the season.

Procul recedant somnia,
Et noctium phantasmata ;
Hostemque nostrum comprime,
Ne polluantur corpora.

*Praesta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito
Regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.

Doxologies for the seasons :

Christmas.

Iesu, tibi sit gloria,
Qui natus es de Virgine,
Cum Patre, et almo Spiritu,
In sempiterna saecula.
Amen.

Epiphany.

Iesu, tibi sit gloria,
Qui apparuisti gentibus,
Cum Patre, et almo Spiritu,
In sempiterna saecula.
Amen.

In Eastertide.

Deo Patri sit gloria,
Et Filio, qui a mortuis
Surrexit, ac Paraclito,
In sempiterna saecula.
Amen.

Ascension.

Iesu, tibi sit gloria,
Qui victor in caelum redis,
Cum Patre, et almo Spiritu,
In sempiterna saecula.
Amen.

Whitsunday.

Deo Patri sit gloria,
Et Filio, qui a mortuis
Surrexit, ac Paraclito,
In saeculorum saecula.
Amen.

Transfiguration.

Iesu, tibi sit gloria,
Qui te revelas parvulis,
Cum Patre, et almo Spiritu
In sempiterna saecula.
Amen.

8 Advent

CORDE natus ex Patentis,
Ante mundi exordium
Alpha et ω cognominatus
Ipse fons et clausula
Omnium quae sunt, fuerunt,
Quaeque post futura sunt

Ipse iussit et creata,
Dixit ipse et facta sunt
Terra, caelum, fossa pontt
Trina rerum machina,
Quaeque in his vigent sub alto
Solis et lunae globo.

Corporis formam caduci,
Membra morti obnoxia
Induit, ne gens periret
Primoplasti ex germine,
Merserat quem lex profundo
Noxialis tartaro.

* This doxology changes with the season.

O beatus ortus ille,
Virgo cum puerpera
Edidit nostram salutem
Feta Sancto Spiritu,
Et puer redemptor orbis
Os sacratum protulit.

Psallat altitudo caeli,
Psallite omnes angeli,
Quidquid est virtutis usquam
Psallat in laudem Dei ;
Nulla linguarum silescat,
Vox et omnis consonet.

Ecce quem vates vetustis
Concinebant saeculis,
Quem prophetarum fideles
Paginae spoponderant,
Emicat promissus olim ;
Cuncta collaudent eum.

Te senes et te juventus,
Parvulorum te chorus,
Turba matrum virginumque,
Simplices puellulae,
Voce concordes pudicis
Perstrepant concentibus.

Fluminum lapsus et undae,
Littorum crepidines,
Imber, aestus, nix, pruina,
Silva et aura, nox, dies,
Omnibus te concelebrent,
Saeculorum saeculis.

Ant. Orietur sicut sol Salvator mundi: et descendet in uterum Virginis, sicut imber super gramen, alleluia.

℣. Crastina die delebitur iniquitas terrae.

℟. Et regnabit super nos Salvator mundi.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui nos redemptionis nostrae annua expectatione laetificas : praesta ; ut Unigenitum tuum, quem Redemptorem laeti suscipimus, venientem quoque judicem securi videamus, Dominum nostrum Iesum Christum Filium tuum : qui tecum vivit.

9 Christmas

ADESTE, fideles,
Laeti triumphantes,
Venite, venite in Bethlehem ;
Natum videte, Regem angelorum.
Venite adoremus,
Venite adoremus,
Venite adoremus Dominum.

Deum de Deo,
Lumen de lumine,
Gestant puellae viscera,
Deum verum, genitum non factum.
Venite adoremus.

En, grege relicto,
Humiles ad cunas
Vocati pastores approperant ;
Et nos ovanti gradu festinemus.
Venite adoremus.

Stella duce, magi
Christum adorantes
Aurum, thus et myrrham dant munera ;
Iesu infanti corda praebeamus.
Venite adoremus,

Aeterni Parentis
Splendorem aeternum
Velatum sub carne videbimus :
Deum infantem pannis involutum.
Venite adoremus.

Pro nobis egenum
Et faeno cubantem
Piis foveamus amplexibus:
Sic nos amantem quis non redamaret ?
Venite adoremus.

Cantet nunc ' Io '
Chorus angelorum,
Cantet nunc aula caelestium :
Gloria in excelsis Deo !
Venite adoremus.

Ergo qui natus
Die hodierna,
Iesu, tibi sit gloria,
Patris aeterni Verbum caro factum.
Venite adoremus.

Ant. O admirabile commercium : Creator generis humani, animatum corpus sumens, de Virgine nasci dignatus est : et procedens homo sine semine largitus est nobis suam Deitatem.

℣. Verbum caro factum est, alleluia.
℟. Et habitavit in nobis, alleluia.

Oremus.

CONCEDE, quaesumus, omnipotens Deus : ut nos Unigeniti tui nova per carnem nativitas liberet ; quos sub peccati jugo vetusta servitus tenet. Per eumdem Dominum.

DEUS, qui humanae substantiae dignitatem et mirabiliter condidisti et mirabilius reformasti : da nobis, quaesumus, eius divinitatis esse consortes, qui humanitat

nostrae fieri dignatus est particeps; qui tecum vivit et regnat.

DEUS, qui salutis aeternae, beatae Mariae virginitate fecunda, humano generi praemia praestitisti: tribue, quaesumus; ut ipsam pro nobis intercedere sentiamus, per quam meruimus auctorem vitae suscipere, Dominum nostrum Iesum Christum Filium tuum: qui tecum vivit.

10 Lent

O DEUS, ego amo te;
Nec amo te ut salves me,
Aut quia non amantes te
Aeterno punis igne.

Tu, tu, mi Iesu, totum me
Amplexus es in cruce;
Tulisti clavos, lanceam,
Multamque ignominiam,

Innumeros dolores,
Sudores et angores,
Ac mortem, et haec propter me,
Ac pro me peccatore.

Cur igitur non amem te,
O Iesu amantissime?
Non ut in caelo salves me,
Aut ne aeternum damnes me;
Nec praemii ullius spe;
Sed sicut tu amasti me
Sic amo et amabo te,
Solum quia rex meus es,
Et solum quia Deus es.

11

DIGNARE me, o Iesu, rogo te
In cordis vulnere abscondere:
Permitte me hic vivere,
In tuo latere quiescere.

Si praeparet daemon insidias,
Et mundus offerat divitias,
In tuo corde tutus sum:
In tuo latere securus sum.

Fallacior si caro lubricis
Mentem exagitet blanditiis:
Nil metuo: hic tutus sum:
Est meum latus hoc refugium.

Si oculos claudat fatalis sors
Et vitam terminet feralis mors:
O Iesu, ne dimitte me:
Da tuo moriar in latere.

12 Passiontime

VEXILLA Regis prodeunt:
Fulget Crucis mysterium,
Qua vita mortem pertulit
Et morte vitam protulit.

Quae vulnerata lanceae
Mucrone diro, criminum
Ut nos lavaret sordibus
Manavit unda et sanguine.

Impleta sunt quae concinit
David fideli carmine,
Dicendo nationibus :
Regnavit a ligno Deus.

Arbor decora, et fulgida,
Ornata Regis purpura,
Electa digno stipite
Tam sancta membra tangere.

Beata, cujus brachiis
Pretium pependit saeculi,
Statera facta corporis,
Tulitque praedam tartari.

O Crux, ave, spes unica,
Hoc Passionis tempore
Piis adauge gratiam
Reisque dele crimina.

Te, fons salutis, Trinitas,
Collaudet omnis spiritus :
Quibus crucis victoriam
Largiris, adde praemium.
Amen.

Ant. Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.

℣. Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi.

℟. Quia per crucem tuam redemisti mundum.

Oremus.

RESPICE, quaesumus, Domine, super hanc familiam tuam, pro qua Dominus noster Iesus Christus non dubitavit manibus tradi nocentium et crucis subire tormentum : qui tecum vivit.

13

STABAT Mater dolorosa
Iuxta crucem lacrymosa
Dum pendebat Filius.

Cuius animam gementem
Contristatam et dolentem
Pertransivit gladius.

O quam tristis et afflicta
Fuit illa benedicta
Mater Unigeniti !

Quae moerebat, et dolebat,
Pia Mater, dum videbat
Nati poenas inclyti.

Quis est homo, qui non fleret,
Matrem Christi si videret
In tanto supplicio ?

Quis non posset contristari,
Christi Matrem contemplari,
Dolentem cum Filio ?

Pro peccatis suae gentis,
Vidit Iesum in tormentis
Et flagellis subditum.

Vidit suum dulcem Natum
Moriendo desolatum,
Dum emisit spiritum.

Eia, Mater, fons amoris,
Me sentire vim doloris
Fac, ut tecum lugeam.

Fac, ut ardeat cor meum
In amando Christum Deum,
Ut sibi complaceam.

Sancta Mater, istud agas,
Crucifixi fige plagas
Cordi meo valide.

Tui Nati vulnerati,
Tam dignati pro me pati,
Poenas mecum divide.

Fac me tecum pie flere,
Crucifixo condolere,
Donec ego vixero.

Iuxta crucem tecum stare,
Et me tibi sociare
In planctu desidero.

Virgo virginum praeclara,
Mihi iam non sis amara :
Fac me tecum plangere.

Fac ut portem Christi mortem,
Passionis fac consortem,
Et plagas recolere.

Fac me plagis vulnerari,
Fac me Cruce inebriari,
Et cruore Filii.

Flammis ne urar succensus,
Per te, Virgo, sim defensus,
In die iudicii.

Christe, cum sit hinc exire,
Da per Matrem me venire
Ad palmam victoriae.

Quando corpus morietur,
Fac ut animae donetur
Paradisi gloria. Amen.

Ant. Stabant iuxta crucem Iesu mater eius, et soror matris eius Maria Cleophae, et Salome et Maria Magdalene.

℣. Mulier, ecce filius tuus : dixit Iesus ;

℟. Ad discipulum autem : Ecce mater tua.

Oremus.

INTERVENIAT pro nobis, quaesumus Domine Iesu Christe, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae apud tuam clementiam beata Virgo Maria mater tua : cuius sacratissimam animam in hora tuae passionis doloris gladius per-

transivit : qui vivis et regnas in saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

14 Easter

AD coenam Agni providi,
Stolis albis candidi,
Post transitum maris rubri
Christo canamus principi.

Cuius sacrum corpusculum
In ara crucis torridum ;
Cruore eius roseo
Gustando vivimus Deo.

Protecti paschae vespero
A devastante angelo,
Erepti de durissimo
Pharaonis imperio.

Iam pascha nostrum Christus est
Qui immolatus agnus est ;
Sinceritatis azyma
Caro eius oblata est.

O vera digna hostia,
Per quam fracta sunt tartara ;
Redempta plebs captivata,
Reddita vitae praemia.

Consurgit Christus tumulo,
Victor redit de barathro,
Tyrannum trudens vinculo
Et reserans paradisum.

Quaesumus, auctor omnium,
In hoc paschali gaudio
Ab omni mortis impetu
Tuum defendas populum.

Ant. Haec dies, quam fecit Dominus : exsultemus et laetemur in ea.

℣. Surrexit Dominus, alleluia.

℟. Surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui hodierna die per Unigenitum tuum aeternitatis nobis aditum, devicta morte, reserasti : vota nostra, quae praeveniendo aspiras, etiam adiuvando prosequere. Per eumdem Dominum.

15 Pentecost

VENI,* Creator Spiritus,
Mentes tuorum visita :
Imple superna gratia
Quae tu creasti pectora.

* *Veni, Creator Spiritus*, in this version, with *V. Emitte Spiritum* and the Collect *Deus, cui omne*, was part of the preparation for mass in the rite of Sarum.

Qui Paraclitus diceris,
Donum Dei altissimi,
Fons vivus, ignis, caritas,
Et spiritalis unctio.

Tu septiformis munere,
Dextrae Dei tu digitus,
Tu rite promisso Patris
Sermone ditans guttura.

Accende lumen sensibus ;
Infunde amorem cordibus ;
Infirma nostri corporis
Virtute firmans perpeti.

Hostem repellas longius,
Pacemque dones protinus,
Ductore sic te praevio,
Vitemus omne noxium.

Per te sciamus da Patrem,
Noscamus atque Filium ;
Te utriusque Spiritum
Credamus omni tempore.

Sit laus Patri cum Filio,
Sancto simul Paraclito ;
Nobisque mittat Filius
Carisma Sancti Spiritus.
Amen.

16

VENI, Sancte Spiritus,
Et emitte coelitus
Lucis tuae radium.
Veni, pater pauperum,
Veni, dator munerum,
Veni, lumen cordium.

Consolator optime,
Dulcis hospes animae,
Dulce refrigerium.

In labore requies,
In aestu temperies,
In fletu solatium.

O Lux beatissima,
Reple cordis intima
Tuorum fidelium.
Sine tuo numine
Nihil est in homine,
Nihil est innoxium.

Lava quod est sordidum,
Riga quod est aridum,
Sana quod est saucium.
Flecte quod est rigidum,
Fove quod est frigidum,
Rege quod est devium.

Da tuis fidelibus
In te confidentibus
Sacrum septenarium.
Da virtutis meritum,
Da salutis exitum,
Da perenne gaudium.
Amen.

Ant. Veni, Sancte Spiritus : reple tuorum corda fidelium, et tui amoris in eis ignem accende.

℣. Emitte Spiritum tuum et creabuntur, alleluia.
℟. Et renovabis faciem terrae, alleluia.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui corda fidelium Sancti Spiritus illustratione docuisti : da

nobis in eodem Spiritu recta sapere et de eius semper consolatione gaudere. Per Dominum.

DEUS, cui omne cor patet, et omnis voluntas loquitur, et quem nullum latet secretum : purifica per infusionem Sancti Spiritus cogitationes cordis nostri, ut te perfecte diligere, et digne laudare mereamur. Per Dominum.

MENTES nostras, quaesumus Domine, Paraclitus qui a te procedit, illuminet : et inducat in omnem, sicut tuus promisit Filius, veritatem : qui tecum vivit et regnat in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

SANCTI Spiritus, Domine, corda nostra mundet infusio : et sui roris intima aspersione foecundet. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

17 Corpus Christi

LAUDA, Sion, Salvatorem,
Lauda ducem et pastorem,
In hymnis et canticis.
Quantum potes, tantum aude ;
Quia maior omni laude,
Nec laudare sufficis.

Laudis thema specialis,
Panis vivus et vitalis,
Hodie proponitur.
Quem in sacrae mensae coenae,
Turbae fratrum duodenae
Datum non ambigitur.

Sit laus plena, sit sonora
Sit iucunda, sit decora
Mentis iubilatio.
Dies enim solemnis agitur
In qua mensae prima recolitur
Huius institutio.

In hac mensa novi Regis
Novum Pascha novae legis
Phase vetus terminat.
Vetustatem novitas,
Umbram fugat veritas,
Noctem lux eliminat.

Quod in coena Christus gessit,
Faciendum hoc expressit
In sui memoriam.
Docti sacris institutis,
Panem, vinum in salutis
Consecramus hostiam.

Dogma datur Christianis,
Quod in carnem transit panis,
Et vinum in sanguinem

Quod non capis, quod non vides,
Animosa firmat fides,
Praeter rerum ordinem.

Sub diversis speciebus,
Signis tantum et non rebus,
Latent res eximiae.
Caro cibus, sanguis potus :
Manet tamen Christus totus,
Sub utraque specie.

A sumente non concisus,
Non confractus, non divisus,
Integer accipitur.
Sumit unus, sumunt mille;
Quantum isti, tantumille;
Nec sumptus consumitur.

Sumunt boni, sumunt mali,
Sorte tamen inaequali
Vitae vel interitus.
Mors est malis, vita bonis;
Vide paris sumptionis
Quam sit dispar exitus !

Fracto demum sacramento,
Ne vacilles, sed memento,
Tantum esse sub fragmento,
Quantum toto tegitur.
Nulla rei fit scissura ;
Signi tantum fit fractura ;
Qua nec status, necstatura
Signati minuitur.

Ecce panis angelorum,
Factus cibus viatorum,
Vere panis filiorum,
Non mittendus canibus.
In figuris praesignatur,
Cum Isaac immolatur,
Agnus Paschae deputatur,
Datur manna patribus.

Bone Pastor, panis vere,
Iesu, nostri miserere ;
Tu nos pasce, nos tuere,
Tu nos bona fac videre
In terra viventium.
Tu, qui cuncta scis et vales,
Qui nos pascis hic mortales,
Tuos ibi commensales,
Cohaeredes et sodales,
Fac sanctorum civium.
Amen.

18

ADORO te devote, latens Deitas,
Quae sub his figuris vere latitas :
Tibi se cor meum totum subicit,
Quia te contemplans totum deficit.

Visus, tactus, gustus in te fallitur ;
Sed auditu solo tuto creditur :
Credo quidquid dixit Dei Filius ;
Nil hoc verbo veritatis verius.

In cruce latebat sola Deitas ;
At hic latet simul et humanitas :
Ambo tamen credens atque confitens,
Peto quod petivit latro poenitens.

Plagas, sicut Thomas, non intueor ;
Deum tamen meum te confiteor.
Fac me tibi semper magis credere,
In te spem habere, te diligere.

O memoriale mortis Domini,
Panis vivus, vitam praestans homini,
Praesta meae menti de te vivere,
Et te illi semper dulce sapere.

Pie Pelicane, Iesu Domine,
Me immundum munda tuo sanguine,
Cuius una stilla salvum facere
Totum mundum quit ab omni scelere.

Iesu, quem velatum nunc aspicio,
Oro fiat illud quod tam sitio ;
Ut te revelata cerner facie,
Visu sim beatus tua gloriae. Amen.

19

AVE, verum corpus, natum
De Maria Virgine :
Vere passum, immolatum
In Cruce pro homine ;
Cuius latus perforatum
Unda fluxit cum sanguine :
Esto nobis praegustatum
Mortis in examine.
O dulcis, O pie,
O Iesu, Fili Mariae.
Amen

20

O ESCA viatorum,
O panis angelorum,
O manna coelitum ;
Esurientes ciba,
Dulcedine non priva
Cor te quaerentium.

O lympha, fons amoris,
Qui puro Salvatoris
E corde profluis,
Te sitientes pota,
Haec sola nostra vota,
His una sufficis.

O Iesu, tuum vultum,
Quem colimus occultum
Sub panis specie,
Fac ut, remoto velo,
Aperta nos in caelo
Cernamus acie.

21

VERBUM supernum prodiens,
Nec Patris linquens dexteram,
Ad opus suum exiens,
Venit ad vitae vesperam.

In mortem a discipulo
Suis tradendus aemulis,
Prius in vitae ferculo
Se tradidit discipulis.

Quibus sub bina specie
Carnem dedit et sanguinem,
Ut duplicis substantiae
Totum cibaret hominem.

Se nascens dedit socium,
Convescens in edulium,
Se moriens in pretium,
Se regnans dat in praemium.

O salutaris Hostia,
Quae caeli pandis ostium,
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria.
Amen.

22

PANGE, lingua, gloriosi
Corporis mysterium
Sanguinisque pretiosi,
Quem in mundi pretium
Fructus ventris generosi
Rex effudit gentium.

Nobis datus, nobis natus
Ex intacta Virgine,
Et in mundo conversatus,
Sparso verbi semine,
Sui moras incolatus
Miro clausit ordine.

In supremae nocte coenae,
Recumbens cum fratribus,
Observata lege plene
Cibis in legalibus,
Cibum turbae duodenae
Se dat suis manibus.

Verbum caro, panem verum
Verbo carnem efficit ;
Fitque sanguis Christi merum :
Et si sensus deficit,
Ad firmandum cor sincerum,
Sola fides sufficit.

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
Veneremur cernui ;

Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui ;
Praestet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori Genitoque
Laus et iubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtusquoque
Sit et benedictio ;
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio.
Amen.

Ant. O sacrum convivium in quo Christus sumitur : recolitur memoria passionis eius : mens impletur gratia : et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.

℣. Panem de caelo praestitisti eis, alleluia.

℟. Omne delectamentum in se habentem, alleluia.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui nobis sub Sacramento mirabili passionis tuae memoriam reliquisti : tribue, quaesumus, ita nos corporis et sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari; ut redemptionis tuae fructum in nobis iugiter sentiamus : qui vivis.

The Holy Name

23

IESU, dulcis memoria
Dans vera cordis gaudia ;
Sed super mel et omnia
Eius dulcis praesentia.

Nil canitur suavius,
Nil auditur iucundius,
Nil cogitatur dulcius,
Quam Iesus Dei Filius.

Iesu, spes poenitentibus
Quam pius es petentibus
Quam bonus te quaerentibus !
Sed quid invenientibus ?

Nec lingua valet dicere,
Nec littera exprimere ;
Expertus potest credere
Quid sit Iesum diligere.

Iesu, Rex admirabilis
Et triumphator nobilis,
Dulcedo ineffabilis,
Totus desiderabilis.

Quando cor nostrum visitas,
Tunc lucet ei veritas ;
Mundi vilescit vanitas
Et intus fervet caritas.

Iesu, dulcedo cordium,
Fons vivus, lumen mentium,
Excedens omne gaudium
Et omne desiderium.

Iesu, decus angelicum,
In aure dulce canticum,
In ore mel mirificum,
In corde nectar caelicum.

Qui te gustant, esuriunt ;
Qui bibunt, adhuc sitiunt ;
Desiderare nesciunt,
Nisi Iesum quem diligunt.

O Iesu mi dulcissime,
Spes suspirantis animae ;
Te quaerunt piae lacrymae,
Te clamor mentis intimae.

Mane nobiscum, Domine,
Et nos illustra lumine :
Pulsa mentis caligine,
Mundum reple dulcedine.

Sis, Iesu, nostrum gaudium,
Qui es futurus praemium ;
Sit nostra in te gloria
Per cuncta semper saecula.
Amen.

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in Nomine Domini :
℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

Oremus.

DEUS virtutum, cuius est totum quod est optimum : insere pectoribus nostris amorem tui nominis, et praesta in nobis religionis augmentum ; ut, quae sunt bona nutrias, ac pietatis studio, quae sunt nutrita, custodias. Per Dominum.

The Blessed Virgin

24

AVE, maris stella,
Dei Mater alma,
Atque semper Virgo,
Felix caeli porta.

Sumens illud Ave
Gabrielis ore,
Funda nos in pace,
Mutans Hevae nomen.

Solve vincla reis,
Profer lumen caecis,
Mala nostra pelle,
Bona cuncta posce.

Monstra te esse matrem,
Sumat per te preces,
Qui pro nobis natus
Tulit esse tuus.

Virgo singularis,
Inter omnes mitis,
Nos culpis solutos,
Mites fac et castos.

Vitam praesta puram,
Iter para tutum,
Ut videntes Iesum,
Semper collaetemur.

Sit laus Deo Patri,
Summo Christo decus,
Spiritui Sancto,
Tribus honor unus. Amen.

Ant. Sub tuum praesidium confugimus, sancta Dei Genitrix : nostras deprecationes ne despicias in necessitatibus nostris, sed a periculis cunctis libera nos semper, Virgo gloriosa et benedicta.

℣. Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei Genitrix.

℟. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

CONCEDE nos famulos tuos, quaesumus, Domine Deus, perpetua mentis et corporis sanitate gaudere : et gloriosa beatae Mariae semper Virginis intercessione, a praesenti liberari tristitia, et aeterna perfrui laetitia. Per Dominum.

25 All Souls

DIES irae, dies illa,
Solvet saeclum in favilla,
Teste David cum Sibylla.

Quantus tremor est futurus,
Quando Iudex est venturus,
Cuncta stricte discussurus.

Tuba mirum spargit sonum
Per sepulcra regionum ;
Coget omnes ante thronum.

Mors stupebit, et natura
Cum resurget creatura,
Iudicanti responsura.

Liber scriptus proferetur
In quo totum continetur
Unde mundus iudicetur.

Iudex ergo cum sedebit,
Quidquid latet apparebit
Nil inultum remanebit.

Quid sum miser tunc dicturus,
Quem patronum rogaturus,
Cum vix iustus sit securus ?

Rex tremendae maiestatis
Qui salvandos salvas gratis,
Salva me, fons pietatis.

Recordare, Iesu pie,
Quod sum causa tuae viae
Ne me perdas illa die.

Quaerens me, sedisti lassus;
Redemisti crucem passus
Tantus labor non sit cassus.

Iuste Iudex ultionis,
Donum fac remissionis
Ante diem rationis.

Ingemisco tanquam reus,
Culpa rubet vultus meus,
Supplicanti parce, Deus.

Qui Mariam absolvisti,
Et latronem exaudisti,
Mihi quoque spem dedisti.

Preces meae non sunt dignae,
Sed tu bonus fac benigne,
Ne perenni cremer igne.

Inter oves locum praesta,
Et ab haedis me sequestra,
Statuens in parte dextra.

Confutatis maledictis,
Flammis acribus addictis,
Voca me cum benedictis.

Oro supplex et acclinis,
Cor contritum quasi cinis ;
Gere curam mei finis.

Lacrymosa dies illa,
Qua resurget ex favilla,
Iudicandus homo reus.

Huic ergo parce, Deus ;
Pie Iesu Domine,
Dona eis requiem. Amen.

℣. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine ;

℟. Et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Oremus.

FIDELIUM, Deus, omnium conditor et redemptor : animabus famulorum famularumque tuarum remissionem cunctorum tribue peccatorum ; ut indulgentiam, quam semper optaverunt, piis supplicationibus consequantur : qui vivis.

℣. Fidelium animae per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace.

℟. Amen.

26 Heaven

OQUANTA, qualia sunt illa sabbata,
Quae semper celebrat superna curia !
Quae fessis requies ! quae merces fortibus !
Cum erit omnia Deus in omnibus.

Quis Rex, quae curia, quale palatium,
Quae pax, quae requies, quod illud gaudium ?
Huius participes exponant gloriae,
Si, quantum sentiunt, possint exprimere.

Vere Ierusalem est illa civitas,
Cuius pax iugis est, summa iucunditas ;
Ubi non praevenit rem desiderium,
Nec desiderio minus est praemium.

Ibi, molestiis finitis omnibus,
Securi cantica Sion cantabimus ;
Et iuges gratias de donis gratiae
Beata referet plebs tibi, Domine !

Illic ex sabbato succedit sabbatum ;
Perpes laetitia sabbatizantium :

Nec ineffabiles cessabunt iubili,
Quos decantabimus et nos et angeli.

Nostrum est interim mentes erigere,
Et totis patriam votis appetere,
Et ad Ierusalem a Babylonia
Post longa regredi tandem exilia.

Perenni Domino perpes sit gloria,
Ex quo sunt, per quem sunt, in quo suntomnia :
Ex quo sunt, Pater est
per quem sunt, Filius ;
In quo sunt, Patris et Filii Spiritus.

BENEDICTIONES DIVERSAE

Ordo ad faciendam aquam benedictam.

Sacerdos superpelliceo et stola violacea indutus, primo dicit :

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

EXORCIZO te, creatura salis, per Deum ✠ vivum, per Deum ✠ verum, per Deum ✠ sanctum, per Deum, qui te per Eliseum Prophetam in aquam mitti iussit, ut sanaretur sterilitas aquae: ut efficiaris sal exorcizatum in salutem credentium ; et sis omnibus sumentibus te sanitas animae et corporis ; et effugiat, atque discedat a loco in quo aspersum fueris, omnis phantasia, et nequitia, vel versutia diabolicae fraudis, omnisque spiritus immundus, adiuratus per eum, qui venturus est judicare vivos et mortuos et saeculum per ignem. *Amen.*

Oremus.

IMMENSAM clementiam tuam, omnipotens aeterne Deus, humiliter imploramus ut hanc creaturam salis, quam in usum generis humani tribuisti, bene✠dicere et sancti✠ficare tua pietate digneris: ut sit omnibus sumentibus salus mentis et corporis ; et quidquid ex eo tactum, vel respersum fuerit, careat omne immunditia, omnique impugnatione spiritualis nequitiae. Per Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Exorcismus aquae.

EXORCIZO te, creatura aquae, in nomine Dei Patris ✠ omnipotentis, in nomine Iesu ✠ Christi Filii eius Domini nostri, et in virtute Spiritus ✠

Sancti : ut fias aqua exorcizata ad effugandam omnem potestatem inimici, et ipsum inimicum eradicare et explantare valeas cum angelis suis apostaticis, per virtutem eiusdem Domini nostri Iesu Christi : qui venturus est iudicare vivos et mortuos et saeculum per ignem. *Amen.*

Oremus.

DEUS, qui ad salutem humani generis, maxima quaeque sacramenta in aquarum substantia condidisti : adesto propitius invocationibus nostris, et elemento huic multimodis purificationibus praeparato, virtutem tuae bene✠dictionis infunde ; ut creatura tua mysteriis tuis serviens, ad abigendos daemones, morbosque pellendos divinae gratiae sumat effectum, ut quidquid in domibus vel in locis fidelium, haec unda resperserit, careat omni immunditia, liberetur a noxa: non illic resideat spiritus pestilens, non aura corrumpens: discedant omnes insidiae latentis inimici ; et si quid est, quod aut incolumitati habitantium invidet, aut quieti, asper sione huius aquae effu giat : atque discedat : ut salubritas per invocation em sancti tui nominis expetita, ab omnibus si impugnationibus defensa Per Dominum nostrum *Amen.*

Hic ter mittat sal in aquam in modum crucis, dicend semel :

COMMIXTIO salis e aquae pariter fiat, i nomine Patris, ✠ et Filii ✠ et Spiritus ✠ Sancti *Amen.*

℣. Dominus vobiscum
℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

DEUS, invictae virtuti auctor, et insuperabi lis imperii Rex, ac sempe magnificus triumphator qui adversae dominatio is vires reprimis : qui i imici rugientis saevitia superas : qui hostiles ne quitias potenter expug nas : te, Domine, tre mentes et supplices depre camur, ac petimus : u hanc creaturam salis e aquae dignanter aspicia benignus illustres, pietat tuae rore sanctifices ; u ubicumque fuerit aspers

per invocationem sancti nominis tui, omnis infestatio immundi spiritus abigatur : terrorque venenosi serpentis procul pellatur : et praesentia Sancti Spiritus nobis, misericordiam tuam poscentibus, ubique adesse dignetur. Per Dominum nostrum Iesum Christum Filium tuum : qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate eiusdem Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Benedictio sacerdotalium indumentorum

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

OMNIPOTENS sempiterne Deus, qui per Moysen famulum tuum pontificalia et sacerdotalia seu levitica vestimenta, ad explendum in conspectu tuo ministerium eorum, ad honorem et decorem nominis tui fieri decrevisti : adesto propitius invocationibus nostris : ut haec indumenta sacerdotalia, desuper irrigante gratia tua, ingenti benedictione per nostrae humilitatis servitium puri✠ficare, bene✠dicere, et conse-✠crare digneris : ut divinis cultibus et sacris mysteriis apta et benedicta exsistant : his quoque sacris vestibus Pontifices et Sacerdotes, seu Levitae tui induti, ab omnibus impulsionibus seu tentationibus malignorum spirituum muniti et defensi esse mereantur : tuisque mysteriis apte et condigne servire et inhaerere, atque in his tibi placite et devote perseverare tribue. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Oremus.

DEUS, invictae virtutis triumphator, et omnium verum creator ac sanctificator: intende propitius preces nostras : et haec indumenta leviticae, sacerdotalis, et pontificalis gloriae, ministris tuis fruenda, tuo ore proprio bene✠dicere, sancti-✠ficare, et conse✠crare digneris : omnesque eis utentes tuis mysteriis aptos, et tibi in eis devote ae laudabiliter servientes,

gratos efficere digneris. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Oremus.

DOMINE Deus omnipotens, qui vestimenta Pontificibus, Sacerdotibus et Levitis, in usum tabernaculi foederis necessaria, Moysen famulum tuum agere iussisti, eumque spiritu sapientiae ad id peragendum replevisti : haec vestimenta in usum et cultum mysterii tui bene✝dicere, sancti-✝ficare, et conse✝crare digneris : atque ministros altaris tui, qui ea induerint, septiformis Spiritus gratia dignanter repleri, atque castitatis stola, beata facias cum bonorum fructu operum ministerii congruentis immortalitate vestiri. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Et aspergantur aqua benedicta.

Benedictio mapparum et tobalearum sive linteaminum altaris

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spíritu tuo.

Oremus.

EXAUDI, Domine, preces nostras, et haec linteamina sacri altaris usui praeparata bene-✝dicere, et sancti✝ficare digneris. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Oremus.

DOMINE Deus omnipotens, qui Moysen famulum tuum ornamenta et linteamina facere per quadraginta dies docuisti quae etiam Maria texuit et fecit in usum ministerii et tabernaculi foederis: bene-✝dicere, sancti✝ficare, et conse✝crare digneris haec linteamina ad tegendum involvendumque altare gloriosissimi Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus : per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Et aspergantur aqua benedicta.

Benedictio corporalium

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

CLEMENTISSIME Domine, cuius inenerrabilis est virtus, cuius mysteria arcanis mirabilibus celebrantur : tribue, quaesumus ; ut hoc linteamen tuae propitiationis bene✠dictione sanctificetur ad consecrandum super illud Corpus et Sanguinem Dei et Domini nostri Iesu Christi Filii tui : qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus : per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Oremus.

OMNIPOTENS sempiterne Deus, bene-✠dicere, sancti✠ficare, et conse✠crare digneris linteamen istud ad tegendum, involvendumque Corpus et Sanguinem Domini nostri Iesu Christi Filii tui : qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus : per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Oremus.

OMNIPOTENS Deus, manibus nostris opem tuae benedictionis infunde : ut per nostram bene-✠dictionem hoc linteamen sanctificetur, et Corporis et Sanguinis Redemptoris nostri novum sudarium, Spiritus Sancti gratia efficiatur. Per eumdem Dominum nostrum Iesum Christum Filium tuum : qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate eiusdem Spiritus Sancti Deus : per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Et aspergantur aqua benedicta.

Benedictio tabernaculi seu vasculi pro sacrosancta Eucharistia conservanda

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

OMNIPOTENS, sempiterne Deus, maiestatem tuam supplices deprecamur : ut vasculum hoc pro Corpore Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi in eo condendo fabricatum, bene✠dictionis tuae gratia dicare digneris. Per eumdem Dominum nostrum Iesum Christum Fi-

lium tuum : qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus : per omnia saecula saeculorum. *Amen.*

Et aspergatur aqua benedicta.

Benedictio candelarum

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

DOMINE Iesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, bene-✠dic candelas istas supplicationibus nostris : infunde eis, Domine, per virtutem sanctae cru✠cis benedictionem caelestem, qui eas ad repellendas tenebras humano generi tribuisti ; talemque benedictionem signaculo sanctae cru✠cis accipiant, ut quibuscumque locis accensae, sive positae fuerint, discedant principes tenebrarum, et contremiscant, et fugiant pavidi cum omnibus ministris suis ab habitationibus illis, nec praesumant amplius inquietare, aut molestare servientes tibi omnipoten ti Deo : qui vivis et reg nas in saecula saeculorum *Amen.*

Postmodum aspergantu aqua benedicta.

Benedictio domorum

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum e terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo

Oremus.

EXAUDI nos, Domin sancte, Pater omni potens, aeterne Deus : e mittere digneris sanctu Angelum tuum de cael qui custodiat, foveat, pro tegat, visitet, atque d fendat omnes habitante in hoc habitaculo. P Christum Dominum no trum. *Amen.*

Deinde aspergat aqua ben dicta.

Benedictio currus

℣. Adiutorium nostru in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo

Oremus.

PROPITIARE, Domine Deus, supplicationibus nostris, et bene✠dic currum istum dextera tua sancta : Adiunge ad ipsum sanctos angelos tuos, ut omnes qui in eo vehentur liberent et custodiant semper : et quemadmodum viro Aethiopi super currum suum sedenti et sacra eloquia legenti, per Levitam tuum Philippum fidem et gratiam contulisti, ita famulis tuis viam salutis ostende, qui tua gratia adiuti, bonisque operibus iugiter intenti, post omnes viae et vitae varietates, aeterna gaudia consequi mereantur. Per.

Et aspergatur aqua benedicta.

Benedictio annuli

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

℣. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

℟. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

BENEDIC ✠, Domine, annulum hunc, quem nos in tuo nomine benedicimus ✠, ut quae eum gestaverit, fidelitatem integram suo sponso tenens, in pace et voluntate tua permaneat, atque in mutua caritate semper vivat. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Deinde aspergat annulum aqua benedicta in modum crucis.

Benedictio ad omnia

℣. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

℟. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

℣. Dominus vobiscum.

℟. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

DEUS, cuius verbo sanctificantur omnia, bene✠dictionem tuam effunde super creaturam istam (vel creaturas istas): et praesta, ut quisquis ea (vel eis) secundum legem et voluntatem tuam cum gratiarum actione usus fuerit, per invocationem sanctissimi Nominis tui, corporis sanitatem et animae tutelam, te auctore, percipiant. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. *Amen.*

Deinde aspergat aqua benedicta.

FORM OF ABSOLUTION

The priest should wear a surplice and purple stole.

When the confessor desires to absolve a penitent, he shall first give him a penance, and then he shall say :

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life. Amen.

Then, raising his right hand, he shall say :

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant to thee pardon, absolution, and remission of thy sins. Amen.

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, who hath left power to his Church to absolve all sinners who truly re pent and believe in him of his great mercy forgiv thee thine offences : An by his authority com mitted to me, I absolv thee from all thy sins, I the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of th Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE Passion of ou Lord Jesus Chris the merits of the blesse Virgin Mary, and all th Saints, whatsoever goo thou hast done or evil tho hast suffered, be to the for the remission of sin the increase of grace, an the reward of eternal lif Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK

The holy sacrament should be reserved in a tabernacle, hanging pyx, or aumbry, which must be kept securely locked, within which the ciborium or small pyx should be placed on a corporal. There should be a veil over the door of the aumbry or tabernacle, and a lamp, with a white glass, burning near. The sacrament should be renewed once a week.

If it is desired to intinct a host, a small host should be broken in half after the communion of the people; the horn of one half should be very slightly dipped in the chalice, and then the host to be intincted should be touched with it in the centre.

*Communion is to be given to dying persons even if they are not fasting; and a priest may celebrate to communicate a dying person if he is not fasting.**

The priest should carry the sacrament in a small silver pyx in a bag hung by a cord round his neck. He should wear a surplice and white stole.

On arrival at the sick person's room, the pyx should be placed on a corporal spread upon a small table, on which are two lighted candles and a crucifix.

The priest must ascertain if the sick person is able to swallow.

If necessary, the priest will hear the sick person's confession and absolve him.

Then shall be said:

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon

* This emergency should very rarely arise. See Durieux, *L'Eucharistie* (Lecoffre), pp. 91, 237.

us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon ✠ and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

[*Or this:*

WE confess to God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

ALMIGHTY God hav mercy upon you, for give you all your sins, an deliver you from all evi confirm and strengthe you in all goodness, an bring you to life everlast ing; through Jesus Chris our Lord. *Amen.*]

WE do not presum to come to this th Table, O merciful Lor trusting in our own righ eousness, but in thy man fold and great mercie We are not worthy s much as to gather up th crumbs under thy Tabl But thou art the sam Lord, whose property always to have mercy Grant us therefore, gra ious Lord, so to eat th flesh of thy dear Son Jes Christ, and to drink h blood, that our sinful bo ies may be made cle by his body, and our sou washed through his mo precious blood, and th we may evermore dw in him, and he in u *Amen.*

When the priest administ the holy sacrament:

THE Body of our Lo Jesus Christ, whi was given for thee, p

serve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

If the host is intincted :

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, and his Blood which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

The Thanksgiving

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us ; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people ; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Blessing

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord : and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The priest should now wash the finger and thumb with which he has touched the sacrament, in a very small quantity of water in a wine-glass, which should be given to the sick person to drink, or thrown into the fire.

UNCTION OF THE SICK

The priest should wear a surplice and purple stole.

If the sick person desire to be anointed, then shall the priest anoint him upon the forehead or breast only, making the sign of the cross, saying thus :

AS with this visible oil thy body outwardly is anointed, so our heavenly Father, Almighty God, grant of his infinite goodness, that thy soul inwardly may be anointed with the Holy Ghost, who is the spirit of all strength, comfort, relief, and gladness ; and vouchsafe for his great mercy (if it be his blessed will) to restore unto thee thy bodily health and strength to serve him : and send thee release of all thy pains, troubles, and diseases, both in body and mind.

And howsoever his goodness (by his divine and unsearchable providence) shall dispose of thee ; we, his unworthy minis ters and servants, humb beseech the eternal ma esty to do with thee a cording to the multitud of his innumerable mer cies, and to pardon th all thy sins and offence committed by all th bodily senses, passion and carnal affections : wh also vouchsafe merciful to grant unto thee ghostl strength by his Ho Spirit to withstand an overcome all temptatio and assaults of thine a versary, that in no wi he prevail against the but that thou mayst ha perfect victory and tr umph against the dev sin, and death ; throug Christ our Lord : who b his death hath overcom the prince of death, an with the Father, and th Holy Ghost, evermore li eth and reigneth, Go world without end. Ame

PSALM XIII

Usque quo, Domine ?

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever : how long wilt thou hide thy face from me ?

2 How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart : how long shall mine enemies triumph over me ?

3 Consider, and hear me, O Lord my God : lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him : for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.

5 But my trust is in thy mercy : and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.

6 I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me : yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

Glory be to the Father.

A Short Form

BY this holy anointing ✣ may the Lord forgive thee whatever thou hast done amiss. Amen.

The place anointed should be wiped with wool, which must be burnt afterwards.

NOTE.

The oil for the sick should be reverently kept in a locked safe in the church, but not in the tabernacle or aumbry with the Holy Sacrament.

COMMENDATIO ANIMAE

O GOD the Father, of heaven,
Have mercy upon *him*.
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy upon *him*.
O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son,
Have mercy upon *him*.
By the Mystery of thy holy Incarnation,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
By thy holy Nativity and Circumcision,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
By thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
By thine Agony and bloody Sweat,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
By thy Cross and Passion,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
By thy precious Death and Burial,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
By thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
By the wonderful coming of the Holy Ghost,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
In the hour of death,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.
In the day of judgement,
Good Lord, deliver *him*.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

GO forth, O Christian soul, from this world, in the Name of God the Father, who created thee, in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, who suffered for thee; in the Name of God the Holy Ghost, who hath sanctified thee; in the name of the glorious and holy Mother of God the Virgin Mary; in the name of Angels and Archangels; of Thrones and Dominations; in the name of Principalities and Powers; in the name of Cherubim and Seraphim; in the name of the Patriarchs and Prophets; in the name of the holy Apostles and Evangelists; in the name of the blessed Martyrs and Confessors;

and of all the Saints of God. May thy place be this day in peace, and thine abode in Mount Sion; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O MOST merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more; open thine eye of mercy upon this thy servant, who most earnestly desireth pardon and forgiveness. Renew in *him*, most loving Father, whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by *his* own carnal will and frailness; preserve and continue this sick member in the unity of the Church; consider *his* contrition, accept *his* tears, assuage *his* pain, as shall seem to thee most expedient for *him*. And, forasmuch as *he* putteth *his* full trust only in thy mercy, impute not unto *him his* former sins, but strengthen *him* with thy blessed Spirit; and, when thou art pleased to take *him* hence, take *him* unto thy favour, through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE commend thee to Almighty God, dearest *brother*, and commit thee to him whose creature thou art, that, when thou shalt have paid the debt of humanity by death, thou mayst return to thy Maker, who formed thee from the dust of the earth. Therefore, as thy soul departeth from the body, may the bright host of Angels meet thee; may the glorious company of the Apostles greet thee; the noble army of Martyrs welcome thee; and the great multitude which no man can number, clothed in white robes, encompass thee. May Christ Jesus look upon thee in gentleness and love, and set thee for ever amongst those who shall stand before him, where are no tears, neither sorrow, nor crying. Mayst thou never know the outer darkness, the flame that is not quenched, the worm that dieth not; but let Satan with his apostate angels flee before thee into the

vast abyss of eternal night. Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; let them also that hate him flee before him. Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away, and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God. May Christ, who was crucified for thee, deliver thee from eternal death. May Christ, the Son of the living God, place thee in the ever-verdant gardens of his paradise; and may he, the true Shepherd, acknowledge thee amongst his sheep. May he absolve thee from all thy sins, and place thee at his right hand; mayst thou behold thy Redeemer face to face, and, ever standing in the joy of his presence, drink of the fount of life eternal, and enjoy the beatific vision for evermore. Amen.

RECEIVE, O Lord, the soul of thy servant, who hath no hope but in thy mercy. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the soul of thy servant from the bitter pains of eternal death. Amen.

Deliver *him* as thou didst deliver Enoch and Elijah from the common doom. Amen.

As thou didst deliver Noah from the flood. Amen.

As thou didst deliver Job from his distress. Amen.

As thou didst deliver Isaac from the uplifted knife. Amen.

As thou didst deliver Lot from Sodom on its day of doom. Amen.

As thou didst deliver Moses from Egypt. Amen.

As thou didst deliver Daniel from the lions' den. Amen.

As thou didst deliver the three children from the burning fiery furnace. Amen.

As thou hast ever delivered the souls of them who trust in thee. Amen.

WE commend to thee, O Lord, the soul of thy servant *N.*, and we beseech thee, O Saviour of the world, that as thou didst of thy love come down to earth in mercy to seek it, so thou wouldst now not refuse it a place in the bosom of thy Patri-

archs. Acknowledge, O Lord, thy creature, not made by strange gods, but by thee, the living and true God, for there is none other beside thee, and none that can do as thou doest. Make *him* glad, therefore, O Lord, in thy sight, and remember not the old sins or the iniquities which through the frailty of the flesh *he* hath committed, but according to thy great mercy be mindful of *him* in the brightness of thy glory, that, loosed from the bonds of the flesh, *he* may attain unto the glory of the heavenly kingdom, through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth for ever. Amen.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who by the mouth of thy holy Prophet hast said, I have loved thee with an everlasting love, therefore with loving-kindness have I drawn thee; by that divine love, which brought thee down from heaven to suffer the bitter torments of the Cross for *his* redemption, we humbly beseech thee to represent and offer to the eternal Father that same love on behalf of thy servant *N.*, and deliver *him* from all the pains and sufferings which *he* has deserved by *his* sins, and save *his* soul at the hour of its departure from the body. Open to *him* the gate of life; make *him* to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting. O most sweet Jesus, who hast redeemed *him* by thy precious blood, have mercy upon *his* soul, and lead *him* to thy heavenly paradise, that *he* may live with thee in unclouded love, and may never be separated from the blessed company of thy saints, nor from thee, through all eternity, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, God world without end. Amen.

The Commendatory Prayer

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons: we humbly commend the soul of

this thy servant, our dear *brother*, into thy hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour; most humbly beseeching thee, that it may be precious in thy sight. Wash it, we pray thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatsoever defilements it may have contracted in the midst of this miserable and naughty world, through the lusts of the flesh, or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may be presented pure and without spot before thee. And teach us who survive, in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our condition is; and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, whilst we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting; through the merits of Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord. Amen.

For the help of the departing soul the priest may repeat the holy Name of Jesus: O Lamb of God: that take away the sins of the world have mercy upon me: gra me thy peace; *or* Into th hands, O Lord, I commer my spirit.

If the soul lingers may said:

PSALM XXIII

THE Lord is my she herd: therefore ca I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in green pasture: and lea me forth beside the wate of comfort.

3 He shall convert m soul: and bring me fort in the paths of righteou ness, for his Name's sake

4 Yea, though I wal through the valley of th shadow of death, I wi fear no evil: for thou a with me; thy rod an thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare table before me agains them that trouble me thou hast anointed m head with oil, and my cu shall be full.

6 But thy loving-kind ness and mercy shall fo low me all the days of m life: and I will dwell i the house of the Lord fo ever.

ROCK of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the Water and the Blood,
From thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labours of my hands
Can fulfil thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress;
Helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly;
Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When my eyelids close in death,
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See thee on thy judgement throne;
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee. Amen.

JESU, Lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly,
While the gathering waters roll,
While the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none;
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
All my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of thy wing.

Plenteous grace with thee
is found,
Grace to cleanse from
every sin ;
Let the healing streams
abound ;
Make and keep me pure
within ;
Thou of life the fountain
art ;
Freely let me take of
thee ;
Spring thou up within my
heart,
Rise to all eternity.
Amen.

ABIDE with me ; fast
falls the eventide ;
The darkness deepens ;
Lord, with me abide ;
When other helpers fail,
and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O
abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out
life's little day ;
Earth's joys grow dim, its
glories pass away ;
Change and decay in all
around I see ;
O thou, who changest not,
abide with me.

I need thy presence every
passing hour ;
What but thy grace can
foil the tempter's
power ?
Who like thyself my gui
and stay can be ?
Through cloud and su
shine, Lord, abide wi
me.

I fear no foe with thee
hand to bless ;
Ills have no weight, a
tears no bitterness ;
Where is death's sting
Where, grave, thy v
tory ?
I triumph still, if thou
bide with me.

Hold thou thy cross b
fore my closing eyes ;
Shine through the gloo
and point me to t
skies ;
Heaven's morning brea
and earth's vain sha
ows flee ;
In life, in death, O Lo
abide with me. Ame

SOUL of Christ, sanct
me.
Body of Christ, save m
Blood of Christ, inebri
me.
Water from the side
Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, stre
then me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds h
me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.
In the hour of my death call me
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee
For ever and ever. Amen.

When the soul has departed:

℣. Rest eternal grant to *him*, O Lord:
℟. And let light perpetual shine upon *him*.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation:
℟. But deliver us from evil.
℣. Rest eternal grant to *him*, O Lord:
℟. And let light perpetual shine upon *him*.
℣. From the gate of hell:
℟. Deliver *his* soul, O Lord.
℣. May *he* rest in peace.
℟. Amen.
℣. Lord, hear my prayer.
℟. And let my cry come unto thee.
℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

TO thee, O Lord, we commend the soul of thy servant *N.*, that though dead to the world *he* may live unto thee; and those sins which through frailty of the flesh *he* has in this life committed, do thou of thy great mercy wash away; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that while we lament the departure of this thy servant, we may always remember that we are most certainly to follow *him*, and give us grace to prepare for that last hour by a holy life, that we may not be surprised by a sudden death when unprepared, but may be ever watching, so that, when thou shalt call, we may with the Bridegroom enter into eternal glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

BLESSING OF A SICK CHILD

WHO, NOT HAVING ATTAINED THE AGE OF REASON, MAY NOT RECEIVE UNCTION AND COMMUNION

First the priest says :

℣. Peace be to this house ;

℟. And to all that dwell in it.

Then he sprinkles with holy water the child, his bed, and the room, saying nothing.

Then he says :

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

OUR Father.

℣. And lead us not into temptation ;

℟. But deliver us from evil.

℣. May our Lord have mercy on us ;

℟. Even the Lord who keepeth his children.

℣. Suffer the little children to come unto me ;

℟. For of such is the kingdom of heaven.

℣. Lord, hear my prayer ;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

℣. The Lord be wi you ;

℟. And with thy spir

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY Go and merciful Fathe to whom alone belong t issues of life and death look down from heave we humbly beseech the with the eyes of merc upon this child now lyi upon the bed of sickne Visit *him*, O Lord, wi thy salvation ; deliv *him* in thy good appoint time from *his* bodily pai and save *his* soul for t mercies' sake : that, if shall be thy pleasure prolong *his* days here earth, *he* may live to the and be an instrument thy glory, by serving th faithfully, and doing go in *his* generation ; or e receive *him* into those he venly habitations, whe the souls of them th sleep in the Lord Jes

enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies' sake, in the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as thy holy angels alway do thee service in heaven, so by thy appointment they may succour and defend this thy child on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Now the priest lays his right hand on the head of the child, saying:

THEY shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. May Jesus, the Son of Mary, the Lord and Redeemer of the world, through the merits and intercession of the holy apostles Peter and Paul and of all the saints, shew to thee favour and mercy. *Amen.*

He blesses the sick child:

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father✠, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, descend upon thee and remain with thee always. *Amen.*

Then he sprinkles the child with holy water.

A RULE OF LIFE

i. To aim at saying mass every day.

ii. To say the Divine Office, Mattins being said before mass.

iii. To spend two hours every week in meditation.

iv. To spend six hours a week in serious study.

v. To spend three consecutive days every year in retreat.

vi. To examine myself daily, and to go to confession every month.

vii. To aim at some mortification in daily life by practice of silence, solitude, and frugality.

SHORT FORMS FOR ADMINISTRATION OF SACRAMENTS

Baptism

I BAPTIZE thee in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Absolution

I ABSOLVE thee from all thy sins in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Unction

BY this holy anointing may the Lord forgive thee whatever thou hast done amiss. Amen.

SECTION II

Forms of Daily Prayer

Forms of Daily Prayer

'Whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.'—*St. Matt.* xxi. 22.

'As the soul animates the body, so prayer sustains the life of the soul: as the body cannot live without the soul, so the soul without prayer is dead.'—*St. Chrysostom.*

'He knows how to live well, who knows how to pray well.'—*St. Augustine.*

On awaking make the sign of the cross, and say,

✠ Blessed be the Father, who created me.

Blessed be the Son, who redeemed me.

Blessed be the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me.

IN the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ crucified for me, I arise: may he lead me safely through the dangers and toils of this day, and at last bring me to the rest which remaineth for the people of God. Amen.

While you wash and dress, pray mentally:

Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

FIRST FORM OF MORNING PRAYER

✝ IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the Holy and Undivided Trinity, now and for evermore. Amen.

OUR Father: Hail, Mary: I believe: Glory be to the Father.

ALMIGHTY God, I give thee humble thanks that thou hast vouchsafed to preserve me from the perils and dangers of the past night: grant, I beseech thee, most merciful Father, that through thy help I may both faithfully live and walk according to thy will in this life present, and also may be partaker of everlasting glory in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Implore the aid of the Ho Spirit.

COME, Holy Ghost, o souls inspire,
And lighten with celesti fire;
Thou the anointing Spi art,
Who dost thy sevenfo gifts impart:

Thy blessèd unction fro above
Is comfort, life, and fire love;
Enable with perpetu light
The dullness of our blin ed sight:

Anoint and cheer our so èd face
With the abundance thy grace:
Keep far our foes, gi peace at home:
Where thou art guide, ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of Both, to be but One ;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Act of Faith

O my God, I believe in thee, three Persons in one God, and I believe that Jesus Christ came down from heaven and died for me ; and I believe all the truths which he has taught me, by his Church and by his Word. Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.

Act of Hope

O my God, I hope in thee, to help me in all my troubles ; to forgive me all my sins ; and to bring me to thee in heaven at last. O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

Act of Charity

O my God, I desire to love thee, with all my heart, with all my mind, with all my soul, and with all my strength ; because thou alone art perfectly good, and worthy of love ; and because Jesus Christ died for me. Make me, for his sake, so to love my neighbour as thou hast loved me.

Act of Contrition

O my God, I desire to hate and forsake, out of love for thee, all sins by which I have ever displeased thee ; and I resolve, by thy grace, to do the same no more ; and to avoid all occasions of sin. Help me to do this, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Act of Devotion

O my God, I am not my own, but thine ; take me for thine own, and make me in all things to do thy holy will. O my God, I give myself to thee, for joy or for sorrow, for sickness or for health, for life or for death, for time and for eternity. Make me and keep me thine own ; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Or these Acts adapted from Bishop Andrewes.

I

Act of Adoration

BLESSED art thou, O God of our fathers, and worthy to be praised, and glorious for ever.

Who turnest the shadow of death into the morning, and makest the day dark with night.

Who sendest forth thy Spirit, and renewest the face of the earth.

Who lightenest mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.

Who deliverest me from the terror by night, and the arrow that flieth by day.

Who makest sleep to pass from mine eyes, and slumber from mine eyelids.

Who makest the outgoings of the mornings and evenings to praise thee.

I laid me down and slept, and rose up again, for the Lord sustained me.

II

Act of Thanksgiving

GLORY to thee, O Lord, and to thy holy Name.

I give thanks to thee :

For all thy divine perfections.

For thine ineffable and incomparable goodness and loving-kindness to us miserable and unworthy sinners, and we are the chief of sinners.

For thy love in creation redemption, and sanctification.

For my regeneration confirmation, participation in holy communion and all other sacramental gifts.

For the sweet consolations of thy Spirit, for the hope of eternal glory.

For these and all the countless mercies, day by day renewed.

Glory to thee, and honour, and praise, and thanksgiving from the tongues of men and angels, from the saints in glory, and from every creature that moveth, for ever and ever. Amen.

III

Act of Contrition

ESSENCE beyond essence, nature increate, framer of the world I set thee, Lord, before me

face, and I lift up my soul unto thee.

I worship thee upon my knees, and humble myself under thy mighty hand, I stretch forth my hands unto thee, my soul gasp-eth unto thee as a thirsty land.

I smite on my breast, and say with the publican, God be merciful to me a sinner, the chief of sinners.

To the sinner above the publican, be merciful as to the publican.

Father of mercies, I beseech thy fatherly affection, despise me not, despise not thou the work of thine own hands, despise not thine own image though branded by sin.

Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

Lord, only say the word and I shall be cleansed.

And thou, my Saviour Christ, Saviour of sinners, of whom I am chief, despise me not, despise me not, O Lord, despise not the cost of thy blood, who am called by thy Name, but look upon me with those eyes, with which thou didst look upon Magdalene at the feast, Peter in the hall, the thief on the cross.

That with the thief I may call on thee humbly, Remember me, Lord, in thy kingdom ; that with Peter I may bitterly weep and say, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee ; that with Magdalene I may hear thee say, Thy sins be forgiven thee, and with her may love much, for many sins, yea manifold, have been forgiven me.

And thou, All-holy, Good, and Life-giving Spirit, despise me not, thy breath, but turn thee again, O Lord, at the last, and be gracious unto thy servant.

IV

Act of Faith

I BELIEVE in thee, O Father, since verily thou art a Father, and we thy sons ;

Like as a father pitieth his children, so have thou mercy upon us.

I believe in thee, O Lord, since verily thou art a Lord, and we thy servants :

Our eyes wait upon thee

till thou have mercy upon us.

I believe that Christ is the Lamb of God :

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

I believe that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners :

Thou who camest to save sinners, have mercy upon me, the chief of sinners.

I believe that Christ came to save the lost :

Thou who camest to save the lost, suffer me not to perish, who have been redeemed by thee.

I believe that the Spirit is the Lord and Life Giver :

Thou who hast breathed into me the breath of life, let me not lose the soul which thou hast given.

I believe that the Spirit giveth grace through the sacraments :

Thou who thus givest grace, grant me not to receive the grace of God in vain.

I believe that the Spirit maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered :

Thou who thus makest intercession for man, intercede for me.

V

Act of Intercession

O KEEPER of Israel and lover of men, remember those whom thou hast made : and since thou hast concluded all under sin,

Have mercy upon all.

O thou who hast died and risen again, that thou mightest be the Lord of the living and of the dead :

Have mercy upon the living and the dead.

O thou who art our helper in trouble, and savest them who have no helper but thee :

Have mercy upon all in affliction, distress, or any calamity.

O God of grace and truth :

Stablish all who are in thy grace, restore all those in heresy and schism.

O thou who art the Head of thy body the Church :

Be mindful of thy com

gregation, which thou hast purchased with thy blood.

O thou who walkest in the midst of the golden candlesticks :

Remove not our candlestick out of its place, supply what is wanting, strengthen and correct those things which are.

O thou who art the Lord of the harvest :

Send labourers into thy harvest.

O thou who art the portion of those who sit in thy house :

Grant to the clergy that they may rightly divide the word of truth, and walk uprightly therein.

O thou who art the hope of the ends of the earth and of them which remain in the broad sea :

Disperse wars and strife, and stablish the nations in the way of peace : especially deliver these islands, and all who dwell therein, from affliction, peril, or necessity.

O King of kings, and Lord of lords :

Be mindful of George our King, that under him we may be godly and quietly governed.

O thou of whom are ordained all the powers that be :

Grant to his whole council, and to all that are in authority under him, that they may rightly and indifferently minister justice.

O God, not only of the fathers but also of the children :

Bless our youth, and grant that they may increase in wisdom as in stature and in favour with thee and men.

O thou who willest us to care for our household, and hatest those without natural affection :

Be mindful of our kindred according to the flesh.

O thou who willest us to render good to our benefactors :

Be mindful of all those who have well-deserved of me, make them blessed upon earth, and deliver them not unto the will of the enemy.

O thou who hast commanded us to overcome evil with good, and to pray for our persecutors :

Have mercy upon mine enemies, persecutors, and

slanderers, and turn their hearts.

O thou who willest us to pray for one another :

Remember, O Lord, for good, all who have me in memory in their prayers, and all whom I have promised to commend to thee in mine.

O Lord, arise, and have mercy upon all, for it is time that thou have mercy upon us, yea the time is come.

Actiones nostras.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help ; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Suscipe, Domine.

TAKE, O Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and all my will, all I have and possess. Thou hast given all to me ; to thee, O Lord, I restore it : all is thine, dispose of it entirely according to thy will. Give me thy love and thy grace, for this is enough for me.

MAY the Divine Majesty, ✠ Father, Son and Holy Ghost, bless and defend us, now and evermore ; and may the souls of the faithful through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

SECOND FORM OF MORNING PRAYER

WHEN you awake, give your first thoughts to God, and remember that you have this day as every day—

God to glorify :
A soul to save :
Sins to repent of :
Mercy to crave :
The flesh to mortify :
Grace to attain :
Hell to avoid :
Heaven to gain :
Eternity to prepare for :
Time to profit by :
Neighbours to edify :
The world to despise :
Devils to combat :
Passions to subdue :
Death, perhaps, to suffer:
Judgement to undergo.

1. Place yourself in the presence of God, in whom you live, move, and have your being : who upholds your feeble life, and knows your needs, even before you ask.

2. Adore the Father, who has created you in his love : the Son, who has redeemed you : the Holy Ghost, who sanctifies you, and has set you apart to be a steward of the mysteries of God.

3. Thank God for the mercies of the night ; for preservation from sin and danger ; for the care of his holy angels ; for his love in creation, redemption, and sanctification ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

4. Think of the sins to which you are most prone, ask forgiveness for sinful habits contracted—for sins in thought, word, or deed ; ask him to shew you the sins you are not aware of ; pray (1) for forgiveness, (2) for strength to resist through the day.

5. Think of the season of the Church, and offer prayers to secure the especial grace connected with it.

6. Offer intercession for all you should pray for: the Church at large, your bishop and fellow-clergy, the flock committed to your care, your personal friends, the faithful departed.

7. Think of the especial work before you in the day as Christ's ambassador, and ask God's blessing, offering yourself, your whole energies and powers to his service: then rise and go forth in his Name to your daily toil.

SALUTATIO ANGELICA

To be said at sun-rise, at noon, and at sun-set.

℣. Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariae,

℟. Et concepit de Spiritu Sancto. Ave Maria.

℣. Ecce ancilla Domini,

℟. Fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum. Ave Maria.

℣. Et Verbum caro factum est,

℟. Et habitavit in nobis. Ave Maria.

℣. Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei genitrix,

℟. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

GRATIAM tuam, quaesumus, Domine, mentibus nostris infunde; ut qui, Angelo nuntiante, Christi Filii tui incarnationem cognovimus, per passionem eius et crucem ad resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Tempore Paschali

REGINA caeli, laetare, Alleluia.

Quia quem meruisti portare, Alleluia.

Resurrexit sicut dixit, Alleluia.

Ora pro nobis Deum, Alleluia.

℣. Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, Alleluia.

℟. Quia surrexit Dominus vere, Alleluia.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui per resurrectionem Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi mundum laetificare dignatus es: praesta, quaesumus, ut per eius genitricem Virginem Mariam perpetuae capiamus gaudia vitae. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

DEVOTIONS FOR THE THIRD SIXTH, AND NINTH HOURS *

'Who is there that knoweth not the ordinary hours of prayer to the third, the sixth, and the ninth, together with the morning a evening?'—*St. Jerome.*

'The third, sixth, and ninth hours divide the day into even spa of time, and are therefore allotted to prayer; that while we are int upon other business, and may forget our duties towards God, the v hour when it comes may put us in mind thereof. And how can we less than three times in the day at least (besides morning and eveni which will invite us to prayer of themselves) fall down and wors the blessed Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Ghost?'—*St. Isidore.*

The Third Hour

Nine a.m.

'And it was the third hour.'—*St. Mark* xv. 25.

'It is but the third hour of the day.'—*Acts* ii. 15.

'Let your prayer be made at the third hour also; for then it was that Pilate gave sentence upon our Lord and Saviour, to have him crucified.'—*Const. Apost.*

'At the third hour of the day let us give ourselves to holy supplication and prayer, having in continual remembrance the most glorious gift of the Holy Ghost, which was then bestowed upon the Apostles of Christ.'—*St. Basil.*

'In the exercise of devotion and prayer, we read that the three children and the prophet Daniel, strong in faith, and victorious in captivity, observed the third hour of the day, a mystery no doubt of the holy and blessed Trin which was afterwards to be m manifest, and a type of the H Ghost's descent at that very ho —*St. Cyprian.*

℣. O thou, who at t third hour didst send t Holy Ghost upon th Apostles,

℟. Take not away t Holy Spirit from us, b renew him daily in hearts, and save us.

Nunc, Sancte, nobis Spiritus.

O HOLY Spirit, L of grace,
Eternal source of lov

* NOTE.—These short forms are intended for those who have time to say the Offices of Terce, Sext, or None.

Inflame, we pray, our inmost hearts
With fire from heaven above.

As thou dost join with holiest bond
The Father and the Son,
So fill thy saints with mutual love,
And link their hearts in one.

To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost,
All glory be from saints on earth,
And from the angel-host. Amen.

O GOD, who (as at this hour) didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit, we beseech thee now to send down upon the ministers of thy Church thy heavenly blessing, that they may be clothed with righteousness, and that thy Word, spoken by their mouths, may have such success, that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also that thy people may have grace to hear and receive what they shall deliver out of thy most holy Word, or agreeable to the same, as the means of their salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may seek thy glory and the increase of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate us, thy servants, by water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto us forgiveness of all our sins, strengthen us, we beseech thee, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost the Comforter, and daily increase in us thy manifold gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and understanding; the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength; the spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and fill us, O Lord, with the spirit of thy holy fear; through him who hath sent down the Spirit upon his Church, Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

OUR Father.

I BELIEVE in God.

MAY the Lord of his mercy grant unto us, with all his faithful servants, eternal rest and peace. Amen.

The Sixth Hour

Noon.

'And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth.'—*St. Luke* xxiii. 44.

'Peter went up upon the house-top to pray about the sixth hour.'—*Acts* x. 9.

'At noonday will I pray, and that instantly: and he shall hear my voice.'—*Ps.* lv. 18.

'Let your prayers also be made at the sixth hour, for at that hour was our Lord and Saviour crucified upon the cross for us.'—*Const. Apost.*

'Be instant in prayers with God, and worship him that hung upon the cross, at the sixth hour of the day.'—*St. Athanasius.*

'Besides, we observe the sixth hour, not only for that we find holy men before us to have done the like, both in the Old Testament, as Daniel in his chamber, and the New, as Peter upon his house; but also for that our Lord Jesus Christ was at this hour exalted upon the cross, like the serpent in the wilderness, that whosoever turneth to him might be healed.'—*St. Cyprian.*

℣. O thou, who didst nail the sins of the world to the same cross with thyself,

℟. Blot out the hand-writing of our offences that is against us, an save us.

HYMN

Rector potens, verax Deu

O GOD of truth, O Lo of might,
Who orderest time a change aright,
And send'st the ear morning ray,
And light'st the glow perfect day;

Extinguish thou each si ful fire,
And banish every ill c sire;
And, while thou keep the body whole,
Shed forth thy pea upon the soul.

O Father, that we ask done,
Through Jesus Christ thi only Son,
Who, with the Holy Gh and thee,
Shall live and reign et nally. Amen.

O MOST gracious Jes our Lord and God, who, as at this ho didst bear our sins in th own body on the tree, t we being dead unto might live unto righteo ness; Have mercy up

us, we beseech thee, both now and at the hour of our death; and grant unto us, thy humble servants, with all other Christian people who have this thy blessed passion in devout remembrance, a godly and peaceful life in this present world, and through thy grace eternal glory in the life to come, where, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, thou livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

O HOLY Jesus, King of the saints, and Bridegroom of the bride, preserve thy spouse which thou hast purchased with thy right hand and redeemed and cleansed with thy blood, even the whole Catholic Church, from one end of the earth to the other. Preserve her safe from schism, heresy, and sacrilege. Unite all her members with the bonds of faith, hope, and charity, and an external communion, when it shall seem good in thine eyes. Let her daily sacrifice of prayer and praise and sacramental thanksgiving never cease, but be for ever presented unto thee, for ever united to thy most effectual intercession, and for ever prevail for the obtaining for every one of her members, grace and blessing, pardon and salvation. Amen.

OUR Father.

I BELIEVE in God.

MAY the Lord of his mercy grant unto us, with all his faithful servants, eternal rest and peace. Amen.

The Ninth Hour

Three p.m.

'At the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice . . . and gave up the Ghost.'—*St. Mark* xv. 34–37.

'Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.'—*Acts* iii. 1.

'The Church hath ever been accustomed to interpret one of the prophet's times of prayer to be the ninth hour, and to observe it accordingly.'—*St. Jerome.*

'The ninth hour is accounted solemn and sacred; that, remembering how Christ at this hour commended his spirit into the hands of his Father, we also, with devout prayers and supplications, might yield up to him our souls and bodies a living sacrifice.'—*Rabanas Maurus.*

'At this hour did the Sacra-

ments of the Church flow from the side of our Saviour; the blood, whereby we are redeemed, and the water, wherewith we are regenerate. Jesus yielded up the Ghost; the thief was admitted into Paradise; the labourers were sent into the vineyard; and forgiveness of sins was promised to them that repent and come unto Christ, even at the last hour. Pray we therefore,' etc.—*Rufinus, 'de Div. Off.'*

℣. O thou who at the ninth hour for us sinners and our sins, didst taste death,

℟. Mortify our members upon the earth, and whatsoever is contrary to thy holy will, and save us.

HYMN

Rerum, Deus, tenax vigor.

O GOD, creation's secret force,
Thyself unmoved, all motion's source,
Who, from the morn till evening's ray,
Through all its changes guid'st the day;

Grant us, when this short life is past,
The glorious evening that shall last;
That, by a holy death attained,
Eternal glory may be gained.

O Father, that we ask l
done,
Through Jesus Christ thi
only Son,
Who, with the Holy Gho
and thee,
Shall live and reign ete
nally. Amen.

*Or this, from the Paris Br
viary, daily at None.*

HYMN

Labente jam solis rota..

AS now the sun's d
clining rays
Towards the eve d
scend,
So life's brief day is sin
ing down
To its appointed end..

Lord, on the cross thi
arms were stretch'd
To draw us to the sky
O grant us then that cro
to love,
And in those arms
die.

To God the Father, G
the Son,
And God the Holy Ghos
All glory be from sain
on earth,
And from the ange
host. Amen.

HEAR us, O Lord, and remember now the hour in which thou didst commend thy blessed spirit into the hands of thy heavenly Father, when, with a torn body, and a broken heart, thou didst shew forth thy mercy by dying to deliver us from eternal death: and so assist us by that thy most precious death that, dying unto the world, we may live unto thee, and that at the hour of our departing from this mortal life we may be received into thine everlasting kingdom, there to reign with thee, world without end. Amen.

OUR Father.

I BELIEVE in God.

ETERNAL Father, I beseech thee, by the life and death of thy well-beloved Son, and by the bowels of thy mercy, grant unto me that I may persevere in holiness, and die in thy favour.

O blessed Jesus, I beseech thee, by the love of the eternal Father, and the last words on the cross, wherewith thou didst commend to him thy Spirit, receive thou my spirit at the close of my life.

O God, the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon me, and by thy holy inspiration strengthen me at all times, and especially in the hour of my death.

O most holy Trinity, one God, have mercy upon me, now and in the hour of my death. Amen.

FIRST FORM OF EVENING PRAYER

✝ IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

OUR Father: Hail, Mary: I believe: Glory be to the Father.

O JOYFUL Light of the holy glory of the everlasting Father, which is in heaven, holy and blessed, Jesus Christ our Lord.

We are come unto the going down of the sun, and at eventide we have seen light: therefore we give thanks and praise to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit of God.

Worthy art thou at all times to be praised with holy voices, Son of God, giver of life; therefore doth the world glorify thee. Amen.

Self-Examination

How have I spent th day?

Have I striven to r member the presence God, and to do all thin as in his sight?

What has been the cha acter of my private dev tions?

How have my minist tions been performed— church? in my hou hold? among my paris ioners, the sick and t whole? What has be the nature of my int course with them, a with others?

What time have wasted?

What duties have I glected towards God, neighbour, or myself?

Of what sins am I co scious, in thought, wo or deed?

Have I fallen to-day to my besetting sin?

I CONFESS to God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through my own grievous fault. Wherefore I pray God to have mercy upon me.

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon me, forgive me all my sins and deliver me from all evil, confirm and strengthen me in all goodness, and bring me to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MAY the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto me pardon and remission of all my sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

Here may be said the Litany of the Holy Name (p. 256) *or of the Blessed Sacrament* (p. 263).

For the Dead

PSALM CXXX.

De profundis.

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. O let thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him: in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord: before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

REMEMBER, O Lord, thy servants and handmaidens who have gone before us with the sign of faith and who rest in the sleep of peace. To them, O Lord, and to all who rest in Christ, grant, we beseech thee, a place of refreshment, of light, and of peace; through

the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

A General Intercession

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, I make my humble supplication unto thee in behalf of all my relations . . . friends . . . and all who have claim on my prayers, particularly . . . Let thy fatherly hand, I beseech thee, ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them, and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life.

Have mercy upon this parish, and bless the work of those whom thou hast set over it. Enlighten the ignorant; restore the backsliding; comfort the sorrowful, and succour all who are afflicted in mind, body, or estate. . . . Heal the sick . . . and take the dying to thy rest. . . . Look with an eye of pity on all whom pain, or anxiety, or danger, shall keep from sleep. Be merciful to all the faithful who have departed this life, especially my own relations, . . . to all those whose sick beds I have attend . . . or whom I ha known and loved. Gra them the remission of th sins, rest and peace, a jo ful resurrection, a merci judgement at the last da and perfect consumm tion and bliss both in bo and soul, in thy everla ing glory. Hear, Lo and answer these r prayers for Jesus Chris sake, who, with thee a the Holy Ghost, live and reigneth, one G world without end. Am

VISIT, we beseech th O Lord, this pla and drive from it all t snares of the enemy. L thy holy angels dwell he in to preserve us in pea and may thy bless be upon us evermo through Jesus Christ Lord. Amen.

SAVE us, O Lord, wh waking, and guard while sleeping: that wake we may be w Christ, and in peace m take our rest.

KEEP me as the ap of an eye:

Hide me under shadow of thy wings.

When you lie down, commit yourself with the holy sign to the care of him who neither slumbereth nor sleepeth, saying,

✝ I WILL lay me down in peace, and take my rest : for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

And before you sleep.

INTO thy hands I commend my spirit : for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth

SECOND FORM OF EVENING PRAYER

I. Adoration

Place yourself in the Divine Presence: think of God as upholding all things by the word of his power, as supporting your feeble life, as omnipresent, omniscient, ineffable in holiness, dwelling in light inexpressible.

II. Contrition

Prepare for self-examination; pray for the illumination of the Holy Spirit; then go through the day, hour by hour, thank God for all its mercies, and all the temptations you have conquered, and make acts of contrition for all the sins you have unhappily committed, whether in thought, word, or deed; and for all the duties you have neglected; pray him to forgive you. Think of Magdalen, of the Lost Sheep, of the Prodigal Son.

III

Make acts of Fai Hope, and Love.

IV

Make acts of Interc sion (1) for the wh Catholic Church; for Christian nations, es cially your own count for the King and all authority; for all clas of men, especially y brethren in the ministr for your former school a college, for your frie and associates, for y relations, for those dear to you.

(2) For the souls cc mitted to your care, es cially the sick, the dyi the impenitent, and th who have desired y prayers; and those whom you have mi tered this day.

(3) For the faithful parted, your ancest brethren, and friends,

pecially for the souls once committed to your care, for whom you must yet give account.

V

Supplications for the graces and spiritual qualifications you most deeply need.

VI

Pray for protection during the night, and for the guardianship of the holy angels; and pray that you may resign yourself at last to death, as cheerfully as now to sleep.

Then, rising from your knees, prepare for bed. As you unclothe yourself, reflect that so must your soul at last, unclothed of its vesture of flesh, stand before God; pray that it may be with joy, and not with grief.

Let your last words be—

✠ Into thy hands I commend my spirit: for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

Prime and Compline are excellent prayers for morning and night.

MEMORIALS FOR THE DAYS OF THE WEEK

Chiefly from the Sarum Encheiridion.

These Memorials may be said after any Office.

On Sunday, of the Holy Trinity

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; which was, and is, and is to come.

℣. Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost;

℟. Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we thy suppliants beseech thee that thou wouldest make us so firmly and faithfully to believe, so truthfully and simply to confess, the Holy Trinity in this world; that in the life to come we may be enabled perfectly to know, and with all joy to behold, the same face to face; who livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

On Monday, of the Faithful Departed

Ant. I heard a voi from heaven, saying un me: Write, From henc forth blessed are the de which die in the Lor even so saith the Spir for they rest from the labours.

℣. Grant them, O Lor eternal rest;

℟. And let everlasti light shine upon them.

O ALMIGHTY Go unto whom all liv we beseech thee to remem ber the souls of the fait ful who have departed th life in the hope of th appearing, especially o parents, friends, kinsfo and benefactors. Gra them, O Lord, we besee thee, a place of refres ment, light, and pea in the bosom of Abraha

Isaac, and Jacob, where all sighing and sadness are banished away, and the light of thy countenance shineth for ever, who livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

On Tuesday, of the Holy Spirit

Ant. Come, O Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

℣. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created ;

℟. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

O LORD, we beseech thee, may the Comforter, who proceedeth from thee, illuminate our minds, and lead us, as thy Son hath promised, into all truth ; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

On Wednesday, of the Saints and Angels

Of the Saints

Ant. O how glorious is the kingdom, where all the Saints rejoice with Christ ; they are arrayed in white robes, and follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.

℣. The voice of joy and health ;

℟. Is in the dwellings of the righteous.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord ; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Of the Angels

Ant. The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

℣. Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts ;

℟. Ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and

men in a wonderful order ; Mercifully grant, that as thy holy Angels alway do thee service in heaven, so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

On Thursday, of the Blessed Sacrament

Ant. O Sacred Feast, wherein Christ is received, the memory of his passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given unto us.

℣. Thou gavest them bread from heaven ;

℟. And man did eat the bread of Angels.

O GOD, who in a wonderful Sacrament hast left us a memorial of thy passion : Grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption : who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

On Friday, of the Ho Cross

Ant. God forbid that should glory, save in t cross of our Lord Jes Christ ; by whom t world is crucified unto m and I unto the world.

℣. Christ was ma obedient for us unto deat

℟. Even the death the cross.

O LORD Jesus Chris who for the salvati of mankind didst vouc safe to ascend the tree the cross, that the whc world which lay in dar ness might be enlightene Pour such light, we b seech thee, into our sou that we may be enabl to attain to that lig which is eternal, a through the merits of t passion may after dea joyfully enter within t gates of Paradise, whe thou livest and reigne God, world without en Amen.

On Saturday, of the Incarnation

Ant. O wondrous tra ficking ! The Creator mankind, taking to hi

self a living body, vouchsafed to be born of a virgin : and proceeding forth as man, made us co-heirs of his Godhead.

℣. There shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse ;

℟. And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by the co-operation of the Holy Ghost didst wonderfully prepare the body and soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary to become a fit habitation for thy Son ; Grant that we who rejoice in her commemoration may by her holy prayers be delivered from all the evils which threaten us, and from everlasting death ; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

At the conclusion of each Memorial may be said,

BLESSED be the most sweet Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of the Blessed Virgin Mary, his mother, and may all the company of heaven be blessed, now and for ever and for evermore. Amen.

MAY the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

MAY the divine help remain with us always. Amen.

DEVOTIONS FOR THE SEASONS OF THE CHURCH *

Advent

Ant. The night is far spent, the day is at hand : let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

℣. Come and save us, O Lord God of hosts ;

℟. Shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who for our sake didst vouchsafe to descend from thy throne of glory and from the bosom of the Father to this vale of tears and woe ; who wast conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, and wast made man ; Make, we beseech thee, our hearts a fit habitation for thyself. Beautify and fill them with all spiritual graces, and possess them wholl by thy power. Give u grace to prepare for th coming with deep humil ty, to receive thee wit burning love, and to hol thee fast with a firm faith that we may never depar from thee for ever ; throug thy merits. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY Goc who didst send th Son to redeem our race and who wilt send hir again to be our judge Defend us, we beseec thee, in all our trials an temptations, and keep u free from the defilement of sin. Grant that w may so follow thy So Jesus Christ in the humil ty and purity of his firs coming, that we may with out terror await his ap pearing again in his glor ous Majesty to judge th world, and that in tha

* See also ' Hymns ' in Section I.

great and awful day our souls, washed in his precious blood, and clothed in his merits, may be mercifully received by thee into heaven, where with all thy saints we may praise and bless thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Ember Week

O LORD, we pray thee for all those whom thou hast placed in the ministry of thy Church; that as thou hast given them authority to exercise their office, so thou wilt give them abundant grace to fulfil the same in innocency of life and purity of doctrine; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christmas Eve

MAY God Almighty, who by the incarnation of his only-begotten Son drove away the darkness of the world, and by his glorious birth enlightened this most holy night, drive away from us the darkness of sin, and enlighten our hearts with the light of Christian graces. Amen.

And may he, who willed that the great day of his most holy birth should be told to the shepherds by an angel, pour upon us the refreshing shower of his blessing, and guide us, himself being our Shepherd, to the pastures of everlasting joy. Amen.

And may he, who through his incarnation united earthly things with heavenly, fill us with the sweetness of inward peace and good will, and make us partakers with the heavenly host. Amen.

Christmas

Ant. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men. Alleluia.

℣. Mercy and truth are met together. Alleluia;

℟. Righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Alleluia.

WE adore thee, and give thanks to thee, O Son of the living God,

most gracious Jesus, who for us wast conceived in the Virgin's womb, and becamest a tender infant. Thou didst condescend to be poor and weak, that thou mightest make us rich. Thou, our God, hast become our Brother, that thou mightest redeem us and bring us to thy most glorious kingdom. Behold, we fall down in spirit before thy holy manger, and adore thee our Lord, the King of angels, God blessed for ever. Hail, holy Child, God most high, most gracious Jesus! Hail! Prince of Peace, Emmanuel, God with us, Light of the world, the long-desired Saviour, Desire of all nations, the Hope of all the ends of the earth!

O gracious Saviour, we beseech thee of thy love and goodness to remember our manifold infirmities; give us full pardon of our sins, and a new spirit; give us grace that we may always imitate thy humility, resignation, purity, patience, charity, and all virtues, that we may be well-pleasing to thee, may become daily more like unto thee, and may hereafter dwell with thee for ever. Amen.

O BLESSED Spirit, cleanse with thy purifying fire our hearts and bodies; renew us day by day by thy power, that the fruits of the incarnation of our Lord may be seen in our lives; fill thy whole Church and the whole world with the light, joy, and peace of his nativity, that his second coming in glory may be hastened, the elect be gathered in, and the just be perfected in his eternal and everlasting kingdom. Amen.

St. Stephen's Day

MAY God, who crowned the blessed Stephen his first martyr, both in his confession of the faith and in his endurance of martyrdom, encircle us in this present life with the crown of righteousness, and bring us in that which is to come, to the crown of glory. Amen.

May he grant us evermore to abound in that love both of God and of our neighbour which he

held fast even amid the assaults of those who stoned him. Amen.

So that, being strengthened by his example, and also aided by his prayers, we may receive the blessing of him whom he saw standing at the right hand of God. Amen.

St. John the Evangelist's Day

MAY God Almighty, who through the blessed John, Apostle and Evangelist, willed to reveal to the Church the secret mysteries of his Word, vouchsafe to bless us on this festival. Amen.

And may he grant us strength by the gift of the Holy Spirit, to receive inwardly in our minds what he, inspired by the gift of the same Spirit, hath poured into our outward ears. Amen.

That, being assured by his teaching of the divinity of our Redeemer, we may, by loving what he taught and by fulfilling what he revealed, attain to the gifts which the same Jesus Christ our Lord hath promised. Amen.

The Holy Innocents' Day

MAY God Almighty, for the adorable infancy of whose Only-Begotten many innocent children were slain by the cruelty of wicked Herod, bestow on us the precious gifts of his blessing. Amen.

And as he granted to them that they, not by speaking but by dying, should confess his only Son our Lord, so may he grant to us to profess the true faith, not only with our lips but also by a blameless life, in patience even unto death. Amen.

And as he accepted them as the first-fruits of his holy Church, so may he make us with fruit of good works, to attain to the joys of our everlasting home. Amen.

The Circumcision of Christ

MAY God Almighty, whose only-begotten Son, that he might keep the law which he came to fulfil, received as on this day the outward circumcision, cleanse our minds by the inward and

spiritual circumcision from all incentives to sin, and pour upon us his abundant blessing. Amen.

And may he, who willed to fulfil in us by his law the righteousness of the law, give us his peace, deliver us from the deadly corruption of sin, and make us to persevere in the new life of virtue. Amen.

That, having lived through the six days of this life, we may, on the seventh, rest among the company of blessed spirits, and finally, being renewed by his resurrection on the eighth, we may attain to the joys that shall endure for ever. Amen.

Eve of the Epiphany

GRANT us, we beseech thee, O Lord, worthily to celebrate that mystery, wherein both the Godhead of our Infant Saviour shines forth in wondrous works, and by his bodily growth his manhood is plainly shewn; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end Amen.

The Epiphany

Ant. Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. Alleluia.

℣. O Lord, arise, help us, Alleluia;

℟. And deliver us for thy mercy's sake. Alleluia.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast made known the incarnation of thy Son by the bright shining of a star which when the wise men beheld, they presented costly gifts, and adored thy Majesty: Grant that the star of thy righteousness may always shine in our hearts; and that as our treasure, we may give ourselves and all we possess to thy service through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O GOD, who through thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, hast endowed the regenerating waters with the grace which halloweth

unto eternal salvation; and didst thyself anoint him with thy Spirit, in the descent of the mysterious dove; Grant, we beseech thee, that there may come upon thy whole Church a blessing which may keep us all continually safe; unceasingly bless all thy servants, direct the course of those who follow thee, and open the door of thy heavenly kingdom to all those who are waiting to enter; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Septuagesima

MAY God Almighty strengthen us with his blessing, and prepare us duly for the approaching fast of Lent. Amen.

And may the same most merciful Enlightener, who by the power of his Godhead restored sight to the blind man upon his coming to him and entreating him, clear away also the blindness of our hearts, and graciously enlighten our minds by the rays of his light. Amen.

That, being cleansed from the defilement of sin, and strengthened by a fervent charity, we may be enabled to attain unharmed to our inheritance in heaven. Amen.

Prayers to keep Lent.

I

ASSIST, O Lord, by thy grace, and by thine infinite goodness, these beginnings of our fast, and of our humiliations. Accept them, bless them, sustain them, crown them with a courageous perseverance; give us grace to perfect our holy observances by a pure intention and a sincere conversion, so that our bodily exercises of repentance may be made complete by those of the mind and heart; and this we beg through the merits of Jesus Christ, thy Son our adorable Saviour. Amen.

II

O ALMIGHTY God, whose mercies are infinite; We implore thy pardon, and entreat thee humbly to shed the grace of thy blessing upon the penitential exercises which we, with all the faithful, practise at this holy season; and, whilst we

chasten and mortify our bodies, do thou shed upon our souls the joy of a good conscience, and of a sincere and holy devotion, so that, subduing all earthly desires and all irregular appetites which attack the purity of our hearts and the innocence of our souls, we may the more easily apply ourselves to things heavenly ; and this we beg through the merits of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

III

PURIFY, O Lord, our intentions and our designs in these our fasts from all self-love and vanity, and from all love of singularity ; give us all the strength and all the courage we need, in order to fulfil them worthily unto the end. Mercifully shed upon them thy abundant blessing, and accompany them with the spirit of penitence, compunction, fervour, and perseverance, to render them acceptable and pleasing in thy sight. Give us grace to wean our flesh from unbecoming delights, and to mortify our sen with a prudent restraint and this we beg, O Lor Jesus Christ, through th merits, thy sufferings, an thy blood. Amen.

Lent

For Daily Use

Ant. Behold, now is th accepted time ; behol now is the day of salva tion.

℣. Turn thee, O Lor and deliver my soul ;

℟. O save me for th mercy's sake.

OUR Father.

Act of Contrition.

O LORD Jesus Christ my Creator and m Saviour, I offer unto the the sacrifice of a trouble spirit. Oh that I ha never offended thee whom I ought to love above al things. Thou hast be stowed upon me man blessings, and I have re turned thee only evil fo thy good. I acknowledg my transgression, and m sin is ever before me ; es pecially do I lament an grieve that I am yet s carnal and worldly, so un mortified in my passions

so full of the motions of concupiscence; so unwatchful over my outward senses; so often entangled with many vain fancies; so much inclined to outward things; so negligent of things inward and spiritual; so prone to laughter and unbridled mirth, so indisposed to tears and compunction; so prompt to ease and pleasures of the flesh, so dull to strictness of life and zeal; so curious to hear news and to see sights, so slack to embrace what is humble and low; so covetous of abundance; so niggardly in giving, so fast in keeping; so inconsiderate in speech, so reluctant to keep silence; so uncomposed in manner, so fretful in action; so eager about food, so little anxious for the bread of life; so hurried to rest, so slow to labour; so wakeful after gossip, so deaf to the Word of God; so careless at the sacred offices, so hasty to arrive at the end thereof; so inclined to be wandering and inattentive in the prayers; so negligent in preparing to come to God's altar; so lukewarm at the celebration of the most Holy Eucharist, and so dry and heartless in the reception of it; so quickly distracted, so seldom wholly gathered into myself; so suddenly moved to anger, so apt to take offence; so ready to judge; so severe to reprove; so joyful in prosperity, so weak in adversity; so often making so many good resolutions, and yet so often bringing them, at last, to so poor an end. But be thou merciful unto me, O Lord, for I humbly desire to have true sorrow and to confess my sins, to shun all occasions of them, to obtain pardon and forgiveness for them, to receive strength sufficient to fall no more, that, cleansed by thy pity and renewed by thy grace, I may be strengthened in the love of thee, and be defended against all temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil. Amen.

Prayers for Forgiveness

MAY the Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon all our sins, and

bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

May the Almighty and most merciful Lord grant to us pardon, absolution, and remission of all our sins. Amen.

A Prayer to Jesus

O LORD Jesu Christ, Maker, Redeemer, Lover, and Benefactor of mankind, who graciously hearest those who earnestly call upon thee; have mercy upon me. Cleanse me, I beseech thee, by thy most holy incarnation and passion from all sin. Cast down in me all haughtiness of pride; destroy all arrogance; break in pieces and utterly crush all hardness of heart and stubbornness. Subdue all bitterness of spirit which is contrary to sincere love. Calm the troubled risings of impatience. Repress and quell the wild impulse and madness of anger. Extinguish the wrong desire of vainglory. Root out and destroy the evil motions of wicked lusts. Take from me whatever in me displeases thee, and give me what is pleasing to thee. Teach, enlighten, direct, assist, protect, and keep me every hour and moment of my life, that I may do those things which are pleasing to thee, and rest secure in thee forever. Amen.

May God Almighty bless me, and of his mercy vouchsafe to defend me from all wickedness. Amen.

Ember Week

O CHRIST, the true Priest, whose priesthood continueth for ever Help, we beseech thee, thy servants, our priests, that they, carefully and worthily discharging the holy offices of their priesthood may, through the guidance of thy Holy Spirit, use their talents to thy service and the need of thy people. May they go on, O Lord, from strength to strength; lift them up while they worship thee perfect thy gifts in them crown them with thy glory, and fill their hearts with thy grace, that they may gather into thy kingdom in heaven a rich harvest of many souls; who with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and

reignest, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Easter Even

MAY God Almighty bless us, and of his mercy vouchsafe to defend us from all wickedness. Amen.

And may he who willed to enlighten this most holy night by the resurrection of our Redeemer, cleanse our minds from the darkness of our sins, and make them glisten with abundant virtues. Amen.

To the end that, striving to imitate the innocence of the newly-baptized, we may be enabled like the wise virgins to enter with the shining lights of good works into the chamber of that Bridegroom, whose resurrection we are about to celebrate. Amen.

Easter Day

Ant. He liveth unto God. Alleluia.

℣. Open me the gates of righteousness. Alleluia;
℟. That I may go into them and give thanks unto the Lord. Alleluia.

WE adore thee, O Christ, Son of the living God, who didst rise in great triumph from the grave, and didst bear in thy pierced hands the keys of hell and death. We rejoice, O Lord our God, in thy almighty power and glory. Raise thou us up with thee, O Blessed Saviour, above all earthly desires. Inspire us with thoughts of joy, of hope, and love. Enter thou within the chamber of our hearts, and say unto us, Peace be unto you. Give us the grace to see thee, blessed Saviour, the eyes of our understanding being enlightened, that we may know thee walking by our side, in this our earthly pilgrimage. Come unto us, O our Lord, and dwell within us. Abide with us through our night of weeping. Make thyself known to us in the breaking of the bread. Teach us, O blessed Lord God most high, to look and see thee beyond this dark, tempestuous sea, standing on the everlasting shore of peace, and suffer us to come unto thee through the waters. Give

us grace, O Lord our God, to arise with thee, to leave all for thee, that we may be made like unto thee, that we may follow thee, O thou blessed Lamb of God, whithersoever thou goest. Amen.

We adore thee and give thanks to thee, most gracious Jesus, Son of the living God, who for us didst arise from the dead. Have mercy upon us, O Lord our God, and grant that we, rising above all the evils of this sinful world, may walk before thee in newness of life, and being daily renewed by thy Holy Spirit, may serve thee with a pure and stedfast heart, until we come to thy heavenly kingdom; who livest and reignest with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Rogation Days

MAY the Lord Almighty mercifully regard our devotion, and bestow upon us the gifts of his blessing. Amen.

May he forgive us all the evils which we have done, and grant us th pardon which we entrea from him. Amen.

And may he so accep our fasting and our pray ers, as to turn away fror us all the evils which w deserve in punishment fo our sins, and may he pou down upon us the gift o the Holy Ghost the Com forter. Amen.

For the Crops

ALMIGHTY and eve lasting God, Ruler the universe, who gover est the world which han eth upon nothing, an who hast commanded to till the land with ou labour for the support mankind and the suste ance of the body; w humbly beseech thy me cy that thou wouldst gra iously look upon whats ever good seed is sown planted in the fields; gi temperate weather; ke the seed from all weeds a thorns; make the cro plentiful, and grant th they may arrive at f perfection, that we, t servants, thankfully ceiving the abundant fr of thy gifts, may pay d and acceptable praise

thy Name ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ascension Eve

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the thoughts of our hearts may thither tend whither thine only-begotten Son, in whose honour we celebrate the coming festival, hath entered in : so that, as we ascend thither by faith, our whole conversation may be in heaven ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ascension Day

Ant. God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of the trump. Alleluia.

℣. O sing praises, sing praises unto our God. Alleluia ;

℟. O sing praises, sing praises unto our King. Alleluia.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who art ascended into heaven, there to intercede for us thy servants, to bring the kingdoms of the earth beneath the sceptre of thy righteousness, and to draw up thine elect in blessed union with thee their Head who art gone before ; Grant us firm faith in thine almighty power, O Christ our God. Strengthen our hope in thee, who art for ever offering thyself, in thy risen and glorified body, in the most holy place, O Christ, our Advocate ! Quicken our love towards thee, O Jesu, King most wonderful, who didst lead captivity captive, and give gifts unto men, especially the most wonderful gift of thy Holy Spirit, uniting us to thee in bonds of heavenly love. Hear us, O thou who hast triumphed gloriously, Bridegroom of thy holy Church, and only Mediator between God and man ! and grant that we may so follow thee now in patient toil and suffering, that when thou comest again to judge the world, we may be counted worthy to sit with thee in heavenly places ; through thy merits, O Lord and only Saviour, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest,

ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Whitsun Eve

MAY God Almighty bless us, who in honour of the coming of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, are dutifully preparing our minds by fasting, and observing this present day with solemn praises. Amen.

May we, after the example of the infants now born again, preserve such innocence, that, of his good gift, we may ever remain temples of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

And may the same Holy Ghost make us this day so worthy of his indwelling, that he may to-morrow renew our souls and bodies and dwell therein for ever, and after the course of this present life is over, may he lead us unto his heavenly gifts. Amen.

Whitsunday

Ant. The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world; and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice. Alleluia.

℣. As many as are led by the Spirit of God, Alleluia;

℟. They are the sons of God. Alleluia.

O HOLY Spirit, God of love, who proceedest from the Almighty Father and his most blessed Son, all-powerful Advocate, blessed and only Comforter; Infuse thy manifold gifts into our hearts; enlighten our darkened souls with the fulness of thy glorious Presence, dwell within us, and make us to drink of thy spiritual pleasures as out of a river; let thy heavenly sweetness so chasten and purify our hearts as to leave no desire or relish for mere worldly delights. Teach us to do the thing that pleaseth thee; for thou art our God. Thou dwellest in the high and holy place, and with them also that are of a humble and contrite spirit. And where thou dwellest, there also the Father and the Son do make their abode. O blessed are they in whom such divine a life, so glorious a presence dwells. O that it may please thee t

come to us, thou kindest comforter of mourning souls, thou mighty defence in distresses, and ready help in time of need. O come, thou purger of all inward pollutions, thou healer of spiritual diseases. O come, thou strength of the feeble, and helper of them that fall; thou hope of the poor, and refreshment of them that languish and faint; thou glory and crown of the living and only safeguard of the dying, come. Come, thou Holy Spirit, in much mercy come; make us fit to entertain thee, and condescend to our infirmities, that our meanness may not be disdained by thy greatness, nor our weakness by thy strength; all which we beg for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour, who in the unity of thee, O Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth with the Father, one God, world without end. Amen.

Ember Week

O GOD, who hast sent thy servants to preach thy Word, and to labour for the salvation of others; Grant unto them spotless purity of life, and ardent zeal for the salvation of souls, that in all good works and stedfast faith they may preach thee, and through thy mercy at length come unto thee, who art the author and giver of all blessedness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Trinity

Ant. O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God: have mercy upon us now and ever, and to ages of ages. Alleluia.

℣. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Alleluia;

℟. From this time forth for evermore. Alleluia.

BLESSED and glorious Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thanks be to thee, very and one Trinity, one and perfect Deity, holy and simple Unity; thee, the Father unbegotten, thee, the only-begotten Son, thee, the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, holy and undivided Trinity, thee, with our whole heart and our mouth do we confess and praise and

bless; to thee be glory for ever and ever. Alleluia.

O Lord God, Father Almighty, bless and protect thy servants who are obedient to thy Majesty, through thine only Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit, that, being secure in every danger, we may continually rejoice in praising thee.

O Lord Jesus Christ, pour forth upon us the promised Spirit of the Father, to give us life and to teach us the fulness of truth in the mystery of the blessed and undivided Trinity, that our salvation may be accomplished through his gift, in which the perfection of all virtue consists.

O Holy Spirit, the Comforter, who with the Father and the Son, abideth one God in Trinity, descend this day into our hearts, that, while thou dost intercede for us with the Father, we may call upon him with stedfast faith.

May the infinite and ineffable Trinity, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, direct our lives in all good works, and after our earthly pilgrimage, vouchsafe to us eternal life with the saints. Grant this, O Almighty and everlasting God. Amen.

Adoration of the Blessed Trinity

O MOST holy, merciful, and gracious Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God; teach, direct, and help me who place my hopes on thee. O God the Father, by thine incomprehensible power establish my mind in thee, and fill it with holy and heavenly thoughts. O God the Son, by thine infinite wisdom enlighten my understanding, and fill it with the knowledge of the highest truth, and my own vileness. O Holy Spirit who art the love of the Father and the Son, by thy incomprehensible goodness transform my will into thine and inflame it with an inextinguishable ardour of love. O adorable Trinity, I would that I could love and praise thee as perfectly as all the saints and angels praise thee! B

hold, O Lord, I magnify thy almighty wisdom and goodness: I bless thy omnipotent and gracious wisdom: I glorify thy wise and gracious power. But since I cannot worthily praise thee, do thou deign most perfectly to praise thyself in me. Had I the love of all thy creatures, I would willingly give it to thee alone. Amen.

Ember Week

O GOD, who employest men to plant and water thy vineyard, whilst thou alone dost give the increase; Grant thy grace unto thy fellow-workers, that, going on unto perfection in holiness and good works, they may not only save themselves, but those to whom they minister; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SECTION III

Various Prayers Intercessions Thanksgivings

VARIOUS PRAYERS

I

For Myself and My Flock

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of every good gift, who hast appointed divers orders in thy Church, mercifully look upon me, thy most unworthy servant, whom, of thy divine providence, thou hast called to the holy office of the priesthood ; and vouchsafe me, I beseech thee, all those gifts and graces of the Holy Spirit, which may enable me faithfully to perform the duties of my calling, and to discharge aright the great trust committed to me in it. Give me, O Lord, the spirit of knowledge and understanding, that I may be apt to teach, and skilful to direct and bring up all those who are under my care, in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Give me the spirit of wisdom and counsel, that I may instruct with meekness, admonish with prudence, rebuke with authority, and minister suitable assistance to their several necessities.

Make me diligent, O Lord, in all parts of my sacred function, that I may give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine : that I may meditate on these things, and give myself entirely to them. Possess my mind with a just and tender regard for the precious souls committed to my charge, that I may watch over them faithfully as one that must give account. And, because the form of godliness without the power will be profitable neither to me nor to those that hear me, grant me thy grace that I may take heed to myself as well as to my instructions, that, while I teach others, I myself may not be a

castaway. Enable me to shew myself a pattern of good works, an example to my flock in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

Neither pray I for myself alone, but specially for those over whom thou hast been pleased to appoint me thy minister. Sanctify them, Holy Father, with thy truth, and preserve them in it, that not one of them may be lost in the day of the Lord Jesus. Make them of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord, which is the beginning of wisdom, that they may seek first thy kingdom and the righteousness thereof. And put thy laws, I beseech thee, into their minds, and write them in their hearts, that they may all know thee, and may daily improve in this saving knowledge. Give them a ready apprehension, and a retentive memory, that they may receive and keep all profitable instruction, and a diligent and tractable disposition, that they may observe and practise it. O Lord, prosper our joint endeavours, and gra that, after a faithful di charge of our respecti duties in that state of li which thou hast appoint for us, we may togeth receive the end of o faith, even the salvati of our souls ; through t merits and mediation thy blessed Son, Jes Christ our Lord. Amer

II

For Grace to Set a Good Example

O MERCIFUL Jesu who hast chosen m an unworthy sinner, to t office of a priest, that should stand between th and thy people, to obta thy mercy as well for m self as for them, assist m O Lord, to fulfil this offi and work to the glory thy Name and the salv tion of myself and th people. Make me ever think and do what pleasing to thee, to be a example to others in m life and conversation, promote, as much as in m lies, thy honour, and th continual sanctification souls, to continue insta in prayer, to serve the

ıy Lord and my God, ith ardour and delight,) resist the flesh, and to e fervent in spirit. Grant,) blessed Jesus, that I ıay be at all times pure nd chaste in mind and ody, humble in heart, oly in conversation, and ithout care for the goods nd honours of this world, ıat so I may become ıore devoted to thee, and ıore worthy to partake ı the Holy Sacrament of ıe Bread of Life : and ıus, in all my actions, ıou, O Christ, mayest be lorified, who livest and eignest for ever and ever. men.

III

For the Grace of Self-Sacrifice

O LORD Jesus, the Apostle and High riest of our profession, ho ever livest to make ıtercession for us, and ast caused me, a weak nd unworthy sinner, to e ordained for men in hings pertaining unto od, that I may offer gifts nd sacrifices for sins, and ave compassion on the gnorant, and them that are out of the way; cleanse, I pray thee, my conscience by thy precious blood from dead works to serve the living God ; and sanctify me with thy truth, that my offerings may be acceptable to thee, and that, crucified with thee, I may myself be offered upon thy Sacrifice. Grant that, as a good steward of the manifold grace of God, in ministering it to thy members, I may very willingly spend and be spent for the souls of my brethren, thy servants ; and that, having glorified thee upon the earth, and finished the work which thou hast given me to do, I may at length be with thee where thou art, and see thy glory which thou hadst with the Father before the foundation of the world : who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

IV

For Renewal of Grace

ALMIGHTY God, who hast committed to me the word of reconciliation, hast made me an ambassador of Christ, and called me to participate in his

priesthood, renew in me, and in all thy ministers, the grace which thou gavest us with the laying on of the hands of thy servant the bishop. Make me a worthy minister at thy altar, a faithful and wise steward of thy mysteries, and so holy, blameless, and acceptable an intercessor between thee and thy people, that I may always prevail with thee in their behalf. Grant that I may give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine; may disesteem and avoid the world, but may love retirement. Thither lead my soul, speak to my heart, and teach me what I should first do myself and should then teach others; and, that I may obtain such a supply of thy grace as is necessary both for me and for them, make me a man of earnest supplication and unceasing prayer. Let my daily sacrifices be pleasing to thee, and let me be myself offered on the Sacrifice of the Cross by constant mortification of the flesh and spirit, that so I may have this confidence in thee, that wha ever I ask for myself others, which thou kno est to be needful, th wilt hear me, through o great High Priest, Jes Christ, thy Son, who wi thee and the Holy Gh liveth and reigneth evermore. Amen.

V

For the Divine Assis ance

O GRACIOUS Lo who hast been ple ed to call me to the h office of the priesthood look up to thee for gr and strength to fit me it. Grant that by a d gent and conscienti discharge of my duty may set forward the sal tion of those over wh I am appointed thy mi ter. Give me such measure of thy H Spirit as shall be suffici to support me under the difficulties I meet wi Bestow a blessing upon studies, that I may m full proof of my minist and beinstrumentalin c verting many to the tru Grant that with a pi

rudent, and charitable and, I may lead and overn the people committed to my care, that I ıay be watchful in directıg them, faithful in reuking them, fervent in ›ving them, and patient ı bearing with them.

But, Lord, who is sufficiıt for so great a work? ʻet thou canst enable the ıeanest of thy creatures › bring to pass what thou ast determined. Be pleasd, then, to make me an ıstrument of great good › this parish; and grant ıat, when I have preachd to others, I may not ıyself be lost or go asʻay. Preserve me from ıe dangers of a prosperıs condition, from forgetılness of thee, from conːit of myself, and from ısdaining others. If afːction be needful for me, t me not want it; only ve me grace thankfully › receive and bear thy therly correction, that ter this life is ended in ıy service, I may have a lace of rest among thy ithful servants in the aradise of God, in sure ıd certain hope of a lessed resurrection; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

VI

For Grace to Lead a Consistent Life

ALMIGHTY God, who hast made me a guide to others, suffer me not to go astray myself: grant that I may never follow the inclinations of corrupt nature, nor govern myself according to the maxims of an evil world, but may have not only the character, but the spirit, of a minister of Jesus Christ.

O Holy Spirit, sanctify my heart that no base or impure thoughts, no mean or covetous affections, may ever lodge there. Rule my tongue, that no corrupt communication may proceed out of my mouth. Guard my eyes, purify my hands, guide my feet, conduct my whole life, that by all the particulars of a good example I may lead the people committed to my care in the ways of eternal life, and that no irregularity in my conversation may ever make my instructions ineffectual, or cause the

ways of religion to be evil spoken of.

O Lord Jesus Christ, without whom we can do nothing, be thou not only my example, but my Advocate with the Father, that I may live as thou wouldest have me. Amen.

VII

For Aptness to Teach

O MOST merciful Lord Jesus Christ, who hast called me, thy unworthy servant, to the work of the apostolic ministry, to feed the flock committed to my charge with the food of sound doctrine, and be over them, in things pertaining to thee, in the Church which thou hast purchased with thy precious blood; graft me, I beseech thee, a worthless branch, into thyself, the true Vine, that I may bring forth abundant fruit. Make thy servant apt to teach, that I may declare thy will to thy people. Grant that I may hold fast the faithful word as I have been taught, that I may be able both to exhort with sound doctrine, and t convince the gainsayer Take not the word of th truth out of my mouth and give me grace t preach it with such fe vour, that it may not onl strike upon the ears, bu enter the heart, and bea fruit abundantly. Amen my life, and change m heart, lest, when I hav preached to others, should be myself a cas away. Take from me a pride, anger, impurit and desire of filthy lucr Bestow on me a spirit hospitality, kindness, s briety, justice, holines and continence, that I ma cause scandal to no on nor give occasion to bla pheme. Grant me to lo my flock with thy co passion, and to deal wi them as a mother wi her only son. Let no be weak, whilst I am n weak, none be offend whilst I burn not. Ve willingly let me spend things and be spent m self, in behalf of th souls. Help me, O Lo to strengthen the weak, heal the sick, to bind the broken-hearted, to store the outcast, to s

the lost, to keep those whom thou hast committed unto me, that not one of them may perish. Sanctify them by thy truth, O most gracious Sanctifier of men, and guard them from all enemies and adversities both of body and soul. Let them be followers of me as I am of thee, that their obedience may be a reasonable service; and grant to us all so to walk in the paths of faithful Christians, that we may together come to thee, the true Shepherd of our souls, and rest in the pastures where thou livest and reignest with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

VIII

Before Preaching

O FATHER of Lights, from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift, look down from the throne of thy Majesty upon me, thy unworthy servant, and bestow upon me the spirit of wisdom and understanding to enlighten my mind and guide my tongue, that I may speak the things which shall be for thy glory and the salvation of those who hear me. Deliver me from all pride and vainglory, and grant that in all I say I may have regard to thee alone. And lest when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway, make me first to have pity on my own soul, and to render it fit for thy service! for what will it profit me to have gained the whole world and lost my soul?

O Lord, I entreat thee mercifully to forgive me whereinsoever I have already sinned, and to grant me thy grace that what I shall say in word, I may in deed fulfil, and be of the number of those who, labouring well in word and doctrine, are counted worthy of double honour—honour from thee, O Lord, who wilt reward what I do, and honour from men, who, hearing my words and seeing my good works, may glorify thee, my Father, who art in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

IX

Mozarabic

IN the humility of my spirit do I approach thee, who hast given unto me hope and ghostly strength. Do thou, therefore, O Son of David, who hast come to us in the flesh, revealed in mystery, open with the key of thy cross the secrets of my heart, sending one of the seraphim, who with a burning coal, taken from thine altar on high, may purify my unclean lips: O enlighten my mind, and minister matter of teaching, so that my tongue, which should minister in love to the edification of the hearer, may not give occasion of error, but be ever a preacher of eternal truth; through thee, O my God, who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

X

Before Catechizing

O LORD Jesus Christ, who saidst to thy Apostles, *Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven*, fill my heart with the love of thee, that by word and deed I may lead children to thee, and not one may be lost of those whom thou hast entrusted to me. Give me the spirit of wisdom that I may supply them with the food of thy heavenly doctrine, and that, being nourished with the sincere milk of the Word, they may avoid the enticements of the world and come to thee, who art the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Give me the spirit of love, that I may draw them on to love thee with a perfect heart, and to keep thy commandments with all their strength, that, being redeemed with thy precious blood, they may ever live to the praise and honour of thy Name. Give me, O Lord, the spirit of fear and discretion that I may never offend one of these little ones but, being kept by thee, may be able, after the pattern of thy holy angels, to keep them also to eternal life. Give me the spirit of meekness and patience, that I may ever receive and instruct these

with all gentleness, and at length be found worthy to be received with them into heavenly habitations. Make me to become as a little child, that, being united to thy flock, I may seek nothing but thee, and love nothing but thee, O most loving Jesu ! Pour down upon us, O Lord, thy heavenly blessing, that I and the children whom thou hast entrusted to me, may appear before the presence of thy divine majesty in eternal blessedness, may follow thee, the Lamb, with hymns of rejoicing, wherever thou goest, and with the angels always behold the face of thy Father, with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, thou livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

XI

Before Administering Holy Baptism

BLESSED Lord, who of thy great mercy hast brought me out of darkness into thy marvellous light, and made me a minister of the Sacrament of Regeneration, make me ever mindful of thy unspeakable blessings, and grant that, with *this child,* I may again renounce the devil and all his works, may be inseparably united to Christ my Saviour, and by him, our great High Priest,who himself baptizes by the hands of his ministers, may offer myself to thee a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XII

After Administering Holy Baptism

O LORD Jesus Christ, who, when thou camest into the world, saidst to thy Father, ' Lo, I come to do thy will, O God ! ' and willedst to be presented by thy parents in the temple, write thy law on the heart of *this child* that *he* may always keep it ; receive at the hands of *his* parents and godparents *him* whom thou hast saved by the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Ghost,

whom they now present to thee, and through thee to the most Holy Trinity, not as their own, but as thy *brother* and *member*, to be the temple of the Holy Ghost. Grant that, receiving *him* back from thee as a precious trust, for which they must give a strict account, they may bring *him* up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord ; and that, being protected by thy holy angels, *he* may grow in grace and wisdom, may keep undefiled the faith and innocence of *his* baptism, and be found by thee at thy appearing with the white robe of holiness, and the burning lamp of charity.

Receive and sanctify me also, O Lord, Almighty Father, for the sake of thy dear Son ; and impart to me the continual aid of thy Holy Spirit, that I may do thy will in all things, and faithfully discharge the duties of a Christian and a priest, to thy glory, and the salvation of myself and of those entrusted to me ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XIII

Before Visiting the Sick

O LORD and Saviour who when upon earth didst go about doing good, and willest that we should rejoice with them that rejoice, and weep with them that weep, I, thy unworthy minister, am now about to visit thy sick servants, in order to comfort them in their sickness and pain. Regard not, O merciful God, my sins but the office which I fulfil ; and impart to me abundantly of thy grace that through my words they may be confirmed in faith, hope, and charity, and if any of them should have departed from thee they may be brought back to thy service, and so their present sickness may promote their everlasting salvation ; for thine own merits' sake. Amen.

XIV

Before Administering Holy Unction

O LORD Jesus Christ who hast the keys of life and death, look

down with favour upon this our *brother*, for whom thou hast died, and who hath called for me an unworthy elder of thy Church, that in obedience to thy command, I should pray over *him*, anointing *him* with oil in thy Name. Grant, therefore, O Lord, that the prayer of faith may save *him*. Do thou raise *him* up ; and whatever sins *he* may have committed, let them be forgiven *him*, that whether in health or sickness, in life or death, *he* may praise and love thee for ever.

And to myself, O Lord, impart a heart of true compassion, that I may sorrow with this thy servant in *his* necessity, and that my prayer in *his* behalf may proceed from a lively faith. Give me grace to mourn both for *his* sins and for my own.

Arouse *him* by my words to offer to thee the sacrifice of a troubled spirit ; and grant that those who stand by may, in pity to *his* soul, devoutly pray for *his* salvation, and, ever seeking to please God, and so keep themselves from all sin, may prepare for themselves a death precious in thy sight, through that which thou didst suffer for the sins of the world. Amen.

XV

After Administering Holy Unction

GRANT, O Lord, that the unction of thy Holy Spirit may ever abide in the heart of this thy servant, and teach *him* to offer to thee all *his* supplications, in union with thy passion and death. If it please thee to restore *him* to health, make *him* to desire thee alone, and whenever *he* shall come to die, let *him* hear from thee the words, 'This day shalt thou be with me in Paradise,' and there possess thee for ever.

And let thy grace, O Lord, be ever with me, that I may always live as if about to die, and may so watch over my senses and my members as to abstain from all sin, and do in all things thy good and perfect will. Thou wilt come in an hour when I think not ; it may be that thou

wilt call me even before this thy sick servant. Lord Jesu, have mercy on me ; be merciful to me a sinner, and by thy death and passion, make me always ready to die in thee, and to possess thee for ever in heaven, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, wilt be the everlasting delight of thy saints, world without end. Amen.

XVI

After Visiting the Sick

O MERCIFUL Lord, the giver of all good things, vouchsafe that thy servants, whom I have now left, may not be forsaken by thee, but may be refreshed with that inward comfort which passeth all the consolation of this world. Forgive me whereinsoever I may have erred through lukewarmness, or weakness, and graciously give effect to whatever good I have attempted to do. Suffer not that the sick should die in their sins, but grant that they may be converted and live ; and, whether life or death be appointed for them, they may in a things receive thy w with joy ; through Jes Christ our Lord. Amer

XVII

For one Impenitent when in Danger of Death

O MERCIFUL Go our only help in tim of need, hear me, I besee thee, for thy sinful ar unhappy servant. Gi *him* a true sense of all *h* sins, and sincere repe tance of them, that th may be done away by t mercy, and *his* pard sealed in heaven, befo *he* go hence and be n more seen. Grant tha with a firm faith in t compassion, *he* may l hold of thy promises Christ Jesus to all th repent and believe. Loo upon the work of thi own hands. Let not *h* sins obstruct thy merc Suffer *him* not to be u mindful of this day visitation, nor to d estranged from thee.

O blessed Jesus, O po erful Advocate, by t cross and passion unde take for *him*, and deliv

him from the bitter pains of eternal death, as thou didst the penitent thief, even at the last hour. Amen.

XVIII

Before or After a Funeral

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons; I humbly commend the soul of thy servant, our dear *brother*, whose body, in hope of the resurrection, we are about to commit to the ground, [*or* have now committed to the ground,] into thy hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour; most humbly beseeching thee that it may be precious in thy sight. Wash it, I pray thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb, that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatever defilements it may have contracted in the midst of this miserable and naughty world, through the lusts of the flesh or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may appear pure and without spot before thee. And teach us who survive in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our own condition is, and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, whilst we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting; through the merits of Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord. Amen.

XIX

On the Anniversary of Baptism

O MERCIFUL God, who of thine infinite goodness didst vouchsafe that I should, as on this day, be born again of water and of the Holy Ghost, and thereby become the child of thy adoption, graciously pardon whatever I have done unworthy of that adoption, and renew within me the spirit of holiness which was then poured out upon

me at the holy font, that, having my heart sprinkled from an evil conscience, I may hold fast the profession of my faith without wavering. Let the gift of the priesthood, O Lord, which I have since received, strengthen in me what was wrought by Holy Baptism, that, being made a partaker of the Divine Nature, I may avoid the corruption which is in the world through lust, and obtain the reward of everlasting incorruption; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XX

On the Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast vouchsafed to call me, thy unworthy servant, to minister at thine altar, be merciful to my sins, and make me a fit minister to thee, that thou mayest graciously receive sacrifice at my hands, and number me amongst thy faithful priests. Let the holy office with which I have been invested, render me acceptable in thy sight, O Lord; and grant that trusting in thy mercy, though in myself most unworthy, I may worthily partake of those holy mysteries, which I presume to celebrate; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXI

For various Graces and Virtues

GRANT me, O Almighty and merciful Lord, earnestly to desire, wisely to inquire after, truly to believe, and perfectly to fulfil, the things which are pleasing to thee. Order my condition for the praise and glory of thy Name. Make me to know what thou wouldst have me to do, and give me thy will and the power to perform it. Let my ways towards thee be safe, direct, and perfect, without interruption either in prosperity or in adversity, so that in the one I may not be lifted up, nor in the other cast down; but may be thankful to thee in prosperity, and patient

in adversity. Let me neither rejoice nor grieve at anything but what may advance me to thee, or withdraw me from thee: and neither seek to please, nor fear to displease, any one but thee. Grant that I may do all things in love, and reckon as dead whatever concerns not thy service. Let not my daily actions be performed merely from habit, but with devout reference to thee. Let all transitory things, for thy sake, become worthless to me, and thyself, O my God, dearer than all. Let all toil delight me which is for thee, and all repose be tedious which is not in thee.

Grant me, O most gracious Lord, with frequency and fervour to lift up my heart to thee, and with full purpose of amendment, to think with sorrow on my shortcomings. Make me, O God, unfeignedly humble, cheerful without frivolity, serious without dejection, grave without moroseness, active without levity, truthful without scrupulosity, fearful of thee without despair, hoping in thee without presumption: enable me to be chaste without severity, to admonish my neighbour without hypocrisy, to edify him by word and example without arrogance, to be obedient without gainsaying, patient without murmuring.

Give me, O most gracious Saviour, a very watchful heart which no envious imagination may lead away from thee, a heart fixed on thee which no unworthy affection may draw backwards, a stedfast heart which no tribulation may overcome, a free heart which no violent temptation may bring into bondage, an upright heart which no forbidden object may turn aside from the paths of rectitude.

Bestow on me, most merciful Lord, understanding to know thee, diligence to seek thee, wisdom to find thee, habits of life pleasing to thee, perseverance to await thee in quietness and confidence, and faithfulness to trust in thee till the end. Grant me to be so chastised by

penitence, so to use in my pilgrimage thy gracious benefits, that at length I may come to the enjoyment of thy glorious reward, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, for evermore. Amen.

XXII

For Deacons

ALMIGHTY God, Giver of all good things, who hast vouchsafed to receive me, thy unworthy servant, to the office of a deacon in thy Church; make me, I beseech thee, to be modest, humble, and constant in my ministration, and to have a ready will to observe all spiritual discipline, that, having the testimony of a good conscience, and continuing stable and strong in Christ Jesus, I may so well behave myself in this inferior office, that I may be found worthy to be called to the higher ministries in thy Church; through the same thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and honour, world without end. Amen.

XXIII

For a right belief concerning the Holy Eucharist

ALMIGHTY, everliv Father, who hast pr mised unto thy faithf people life by thine inca nate Son, even as he live by thee; grant unto all, and especially to tho whom thy providence ha in any wise entrusted wi the treasure of thy ho doctrine amongst us, t good Spirit, always so believe and understan to feel and firmly to hol to speak and to thin concerning the myste of the communion of t body and blood of t dear Son, as shall be w pleasing to thee and profi able to our souls; throug the same our Lord Jes Christ, who liveth an reigneth with thee in t unity of the same Spiri one God, world witho end. Amen.

XXIV

For Devotion in Praye

O LORD God, who through thy merc in Christ, permittest m

a miserable sinner, to make my request before thee, I humbly beseech thee that the frequency and earnestness of my prayer may be somewhat answerable to my great need of thy pardon, mercy, and protection. O Lord, be pleased to deliver me from sinful infirmity in act and prayer. Make me henceforth to rejoice in every opportunity of drawing nigh thee in prayer; deliver me from all vain and wandering thoughts, and suffer me always to come before thee with reverence befitting thy awful Majesty. More particularly, teach, dispose, and enable me to betake myself to prayer in time of temptation. Grant that I may no more draw nigh to thee with my lips, while my heart is far from thee: but may so ask that I may receive, seek that I may find, knock that it may be opened unto me; and, from praying to thee here, may at length attain to praise thee eternally in thy glory; through the merits and intercession of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXV

For the Love of God

O GOD, who art worthy of a greater love than we can give or understand, fill my heart with such love towards thee as may cast out all sloth and fear, that nothing may seem too hard for me to do or suffer, in obedience to thee: and grant that by thus loving thee, I may daily become more like unto thee, and finally obtain the crown of life which thou hast promised to them that love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXVI

For the Love of Man

BLESSED Lord, who hast given us a new commandment that we should love one another, and hast taught us that where envy and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work; give me grace to be kindly disposed towards all men, and never to be the cause of division among any of thy people. Put away from me all bitterness, and wrath, and

anger, and evil speaking, with all malice: and grant that in honour preferring others, I may walk in love, even as thou, Lord, lovedst me, and gavest thyself to die for my sins. Amen.

XXVII

For Contentedness

O GOD, our heavenly Father, who by thy Son, Jesus Christ, hast promised to them who seek thy kingdom and the righteousness thereof all things needful to their bodies; keep me, I beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and teach me, in whatever state I am, therewith to be content. Give me grace to forsake all covetous desires, and so to pass through things temporal, that I finally lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXVIII

For Diligence

O GOD, who hast commanded that no man should be idle, but that all should work with their hands the thing that good, grant that I may d gently do my duty in th holy function to whi thou hast been pleased call me. Give me gra faithfully to improve the talents thou hast co mitted to my trust, a to suffer no worldly bu ness, no worldly pleasur ever to divert me fr the thoughts of the l to come; through Je Christ our Lord. Ame

XXIX

Against Sloth

O GOD, who hast giv me many opportu ties of doing thee servi give me grace to ma use of them all, and strive continually to good in my generati Make me to shun that difference which wou lead me into insensibili and forgetfulness of th and of my duty. Ke me from sloth, which wou expose me to temptatio enfeeble my mind, and d troy my usefulness. Ma me ever sensible of t evil of delaying to do t work, in its season, whi thou hast appointed m

and grant that, whenever I am called to give an account of my labours to my great Master, I may not be found an unprofitable servant. Amen.

XXX

For Chastity

O HOLY and immaculate Jesus, who wast born of a pure Virgin, and delightest to dwell in pure and virgin hearts, cleanse me, I beseech thee, from all filthiness of flesh and spirit. Suffer me at no time to pollute my body, which is the temple of the Holy Ghost, with any uncleanness; and enable me to keep my heart with all diligence, so that no unchaste thoughts may be harboured there; but that, being pure and undefiled in both body and soul, I may glorify thee here, and be glorified with thee hereafter, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

See also Collect for Sixth Sunday after Epiphany, p. 113.

XXXI

For Poverty of Spirit

O LORD, who for our sakes didst become poor that we through thy poverty might be rich; deliver us, we beseech thee, from the love of this world, that, serving thee with a single heart, we may attain unto the riches of the world to come; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

XXXII

For Power to resist Temptation

O MERCIFUL Lord God, who hast vouchsafed to feed us, thy unworthy creatures, with that Bread which came down from heaven, and giveth life unto the soul, so strengthen and sustain me by thy most gracious gifts, that I may resist all the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and, walking in the way of thy commandments, may glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXXIII

Against Anger

O LORD, who art slow to wrath, ready to pardon, and of great kindness, remove from me all causeless and immoderate anger, all pride and prejudice, and too much concern for the things of this world, all intemperate speeches and undue excitement. Give me, O God, a mild, peaceable, and humble spirit, that, remembering my own infirmities, I may bear with those of others: that, considering my sacred office, I may rebuke with all long-suffering and gravity; that I may think lowly of myself, and not be angry when others also think lowly of me: that I may be patient towards all men, gentle and easy to be entreated: that thou, for Christ's sake, mayst be so towards me. Amen.

XXXIV

A Recognition of God's Presence

O ALMIGHTY God, infinite and eternal, who fillest all things, thou art everywhere by thy essence and thy power, in heaven by thy glory, in holy places by thy grace and favour, in the hearts of thy servants by thy Spirit, in the consciences of all men by the witness which thou bearest of thyself; teach me to walk always as in thy presence, to fear thy majesty, to reverence thy wisdom and omniscience, that I may never dare to commit in thy sight what is displeasing to thee. Grant that I may manifest my belief in thy presence here by walking circumspectly, and may experience the blessed effects thereof in the participation of thy eternal glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXXV

In any Trouble

O GOD, who seest all my weaknesses, and the troubles that I am called to bear, have regard to the prayer of me thy servant, who stand in need of thy help, thy direction and thy comfort. Enable me to suffer as a Christian

and not to sorrow like an unbeliever, to receive troubles as punishments due to my sins, exercises of faith, patience, and humility, and trials of obedience; and grant that I may improve this and all my afflictions to thy glory and the good of my soul.

O Jesu, have compassion on me in my trouble. Thou who wast despised and rejected of men, whose life was sought by Herod, who wast tempted by the devil, who wast hated by the world which thou camest to save, and set at nought by thine own people, who wast called a deceiver and a dealer with the devil, who wast driven from place to place, and hadst not where to lay thy head, who wast betrayed by one disciple and forsaken by the rest, wast falsely accused, spit upon, and scourged, set at nought by Herod and his men of war, given up by Pilate to the will of the Jews: to whom a murderer was preferred: who wast condemned to a most shameful death, crucified between two thieves, reviled by those who passed by, hadst gall and vinegar given thee to drink, and didst suffer a most bitter death, submitting with patience to the will of thy Father:

O Jesu, who now sittest at the right hand of God, to succour all those who are tempted and suffer, be thou my Advocate with the Father for grace, that, in all my sufferings, I may follow thy example, and be supported under all the difficulties and discouragements with which, for the trial of my patience and fidelity, I may at any time be exercised. Amen.

XXXVI

For Thankfulness

GRACIOUS God, who hast taught us by thy Word that it is a joyful and pleasant thing to be thankful, make me truly thankful for all thy mercies from time to time bestowed upon me [*especially* . . .], and grant that I may use all thy blessings to set forth thy glory, and to set forward my own salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXXVII

For a Holy Death

O GOD, who hast appointed unto all men once to die, give me true repentance for all the errors of my past life, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus Christ, that my sins may be done away by thy mercy, and my pardon sealed in heaven, before I go hence and be no more seen. Make known to me, O thou Searcher of hearts, whatever charge is against me, that I may confess, bewail, abhor, and forsake all the evils of which I have been guilty. Have mercy upon me, have mercy upon me, most merciful Father, who desirest not the death of a sinner; for thy Son Jesus Christ's sake forgive me all that is past. And, O blessed Advocate, who by thy death hast destroyed death, and art able to save them for ever who come unto God by thee, seeing thou ever livest to make intercession for us, I put my cause into thy hands; let thy power defend me, thy blood and merits plead for me; supply all the defects of m repentance; procure fo me a full remission of a my sins; and by th powerful grace strengthe me in all goodness durin the remainder of my life that death may be a bles ing to me, and I may fin mercy at the great da Amen.

XXXVIII

The Lord's Prayer Paraphrased

OUR Father, holy a thou, and holy is th Name above every nam to be reverenced and ha lowed by all, but by som more than others, and b thy ministers most of a Yet have I not hallowe it, nor attempted what me lay. Woe is me! confess it openly, desirin to grieve from my hear mind, soul, and spirit, an asking for pardon, and f grace, that henceforwa I may so speak, act, an live, that thy Name, Lord, may be hallowe by me, and by othe through me.

Let thy kingdom con to me here in the state grace, that I may con

to it in the state of glory ; and grant me by thy grace to perform something in thy earthly kingdom, that I may attain to a place in thy heavenly, though it be the lowest at the feet of thy saints.

Let the will of the flesh depart from me, and thy holy, just, and gracious will be done in the earth by me, who am of the earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us what pertains to health, peace, and sufficiency : give us angels' bread unto life eternal.

Forgive me my debts, my vast amount of debts, my foul backslidings, my frequent relapses, my daily pollutions. If thou, Lord, wert extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who could abide it ? But with thee there is mercy, and plenteous redemption from sin, and thou wilt deliver from all iniquities. Deliver me, O Lord, from mine ; deliver my soul from the nethermost hell.

And, mindful of my weakness, lead me not, nor suffer me to be led, nor to fall, into temptation : but deliver me from evil,—evil in myself, the flesh, and its temptations, evil in the devil and his suggestions, evil in the punishments which I have most righteously deserved, evil in the accidents and diseases of this life, in the work wherein I am engaged, evils past, present, and to come—from all these set me free, O Lord, and preserve me, thy servant, for evermore. Yea, O Lord, according to all thy mercy, let thy most righteous indignation be turned from me, though grievously and often have I sinned against thee ; let thine anger be turned away from me, from my parents, my bishop, my flock and household, from my relations, friends, neighbourhood, and country, from all Christian people, and from the whole world. Amen.

XXXIX

Vestry Prayers

Before Service.

IN the Name ✠ of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

After Service.

℣. The Lord be with you :

℟. And with thy spirit.

℣. Let us bless the Lord :

℟. Thanks be to God.

✝ MAY the souls of th faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

For the Holy Catholic Church

O GOD of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of thy perpetual providence carry out the work of man's salvation; and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up, that those which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are returning to perfection through him from whom they took their origin, even through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Gelasian.

GRACIOUS Father, we humbly beseech thee to bless thy holy Catholic Church, and fill it with truth and grace. Where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where anything is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is wanting, furnish it; where it is divided and rent asunder, heal the breaches thereof, O thou Holy One of Israel, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Archbishop Laud.

For the Unity of the Church

DISSIPATE, we meekly beseech thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, every self-willed opinion which tends by subversion of the faith to counteract the truth; that as thou art acknowledged in heaven and in earth to be the one and only God, so thy people, gathered from all nations, may glorify thee in the unity of the faith handed down from the beginning. Amen.

Mozarabic.

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that, as there is but one body, and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may henceforth be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Spread of the Church

ENLARGE thy kingdom, O God, and deliver the world from the dominion and tyranny of Satan. Hasten the time, which thy Spirit hath foretold, when all nations whom thou hast made shall worship thee and glorify thy Name. Bless the good endeavours of those who strive to propagate the truth, and prepare the hearts of all men to receive it; to the honour of thy holy Name. Amen.

Bishop Wilson

For the Extension of the Religious Life

O LORD, who didst admit to special intimacy with thyself three chosen three among thy twelve apostles; Call many even now, both of men and women, to share the like privilege in the Religious Life: that they, being entrusted with the sight of thy marvellous acts, with the secret of the hidden glory, and with the inner mystery of thy passion, may by example and deed uphold thine honour and extend far and wide the dominion of thy Majesty: who livest and reignest, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

For Religious

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast taught us that where thy Holy Spir

is, there is liberty; free, we beseech thee, from all blindness and hindrances those to whom thou vouchsafest the call of thine electing love; that, leaving all for thy sake, they may be perfected in the following of the Lamb, even of him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Spirit, Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

For our Universities

PRESERVE our Universities, O Lord, as the bulwarks of thy Church, that the youth of our land may find in them a home sanctified by religious discipline and sound learning. Root out from them whatever is contrary to faith or morals.

Grant that habits of self-denial may be formed amongst the scholars, and the endowments of charity may be so distributed by the authorities that their advantages may be extended to all the poor and deserving in our land; but chiefly revive in them such a spirit of devotion, that they may send forth many to the work of thy Church at home and abroad, loving thee with a pure love, and resolved to offer themselves a sacrifice to thy love; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

For Church Schools and Homes of Mercy

VOUCHSAFE, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to prosper with thy blessing all institutions designed for the promotion of thy glory and the good of souls [*especially . . .*]; grant that those who serve thee in religious houses, hospitals and schools, may set thy holy will ever before them, and do that which is well-pleasing in thy sight, and persevere in thy service unto the end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Scholars generally

O LORD Jesus Christ, Child of Bethlehem, everlasting God; bless, we beseech thee, the boys (or girls) of ——— School, to the end that they may be truthful, pure, obedient, and ready to do their duty in that state of life to which it shall please thee

to call them. Give also to those whom thou hast set over them grace so to bring them up for thee, that teachers and scholars may meet with joy in the day of thy appearing; who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

For a Family

O ALMIGHTY God, look graciously upon this household now gathered together in thy Name. Give those whom thou hast set over it wisdom to direct those committed to their charge; give its members strength to fulfil thy will in the daily toil to which thou hast appointed them; grant that love and peace, with all other graces, may live and grow amongst them; and that finally they may meet before thy throne in heaven, and be united in that love for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Travellers

O GOD of infinite majesty and mercy, whom neither distance of place nor length of time can separate from thos whom thou defendest Mercifully assist thy ser vants [. . .] who pu their trust in thee; vouch safe to be their guide, an their companion throug the way by which the are about to go. Let n misfortune harm them no difficulty hinder them let everything be favou able and prosperous fo them; that whatsoeve they rightfully and law fully desire, they ma speedily and effectuall obtain; through Jesu Christ our Lord. Amen

Gelasia

For the Sick and Dyin

O LORD Jesus Chris who in thy la agony didst commend th spirit into the hands thy heavenly Father; ha mercy upon all sick an dying persons [*especial* . . .]; and grant th they may omit nothin which is necessary make their peace with th before they die; who li est and reignest with th Father and the Ho Ghost, one God, wor without end. Amen.

Before a Confirmation

O GOD, by whose gracious providence the holy Church continues to observe the doctrine of baptism and the laying on of hands: mercifully be with thy servant our bishop, when he shall come as the successor of thy apostles to administer in this parish the holy rite of confirmation; and grant that all those on whom it shall be conferred may receive it with bodies undefiled, watchful minds, and pure hearts, that, being thus blessed by thy chief minister, and guided by thy Holy Spirit, they may never be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, but may fight manfully under his banner against sin, the world, and the devil, and continue his faithful soldiers and servants unto their lives' end; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After a Confirmation

O GOD, who gavest the Holy Ghost to thy apostles, and wast pleased to ordain that by them and their successors he should be given to thy faithful people until the end; mercifully grant that the bodies of thy children, on whom thy servant, our bishop, hath now laid his hands, being filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, may ever remain living temples of the Holy Ghost. Let them ever abide in the unity of thy Church, and be worthy partakers of thy divine mysteries; through Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Redeemer, who died for our sins, and ever liveth to make intercession for us. Amen.

In Time of War

O GOD, by whose gracious providence all things in heaven and earth are ruled; Hear our prayers, we beseech thee; if it be thy will grant victory to our arms, and restore peace in our time, that we and all other Christian people may praise thy holy Name in godly union and concord;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For our Enemies

O LORD Jesus Christ, who art meek and lowly of heart, and hast taught us to love our enemies and calumniators, and to pray for those who despitefully use and persecute us, who even on the cross didst pray for thine enemies; impart to us, I pray, the spirit of Christian meekness and gentleness, that we may from our hearts forgive to all their trespasses, and may overcome men's ill will and injustice, with patience and brotherly love. Grant to our enemies peace and charity, that they may receive from thee the pardon of their sins, and may not depart out of this life without true faith and penitence. Enable us to overcome evil with good, and mercifully preserve us without injury from the snares, attacks, and dangers of our enemies, not only visible but also invisible; for thine own merits' sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Litany of Intercession for the Parish in which you live

O GOD the Father, heaven: have merc upon us miserable sinner

O God the Son, Re deemer of the world: hav mercy upon us miserab sinners.

O God the Holy Ghos proceeding from the Fa ther and the Son: hav mercy upon us miserab sinners.

O holy, blessed, an glorious Trinity, three Pe sons and one God: hav mercy upon us miserab sinners.

Remember not, Lor our offences, nor the o fences of our forefather neither take thou ve geance of our sins: spa us, good Lord, spare th people, whom thou ha redeemed with thy mo precious blood, and b not angry with us for eve

Spare us, good Lord

From all impenitenc and hardness of hear from presuming upon th mercy, or despairing thy forgiveness,

Good Lord, deliver u

From fearing to confe

hee before men, from want of love to the souls hou hast redeemed,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy oly Incarnation ; by thy oly Nativity and Circumision ; by thy Baptism, asting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and loody Sweat ; by thy ross and Passion ; by hy precious Death and urial ; by thy glorious esurrection and Ascenion ; and by the coming f the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech hee to hear us, O Lord od ; and that it may lease thee to rule and overn thy holy Church niversal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear s, good Lord.

That thou wouldst grant nto thy Church at large and especially in this arish), deliverance from eresy and schism, and hat peace and unity hich are acceptable to hy will ;

We beseech thee to hear s, good Lord.

That thou wouldst clothe hy priests (especially those who minister amongst us) with righteousness, and grant that they may shew forth thy praise with their lips and in their lives ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That thou wouldst bless their labours for the salvation of souls, granting unto thy Word spoken by their lips such success, that it may never be spoken in vain ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to grant to all those who lead the praises of thy sanctuary, purity of heart and reverence, that what they sing with their lips they may believe in their hearts and shew forth in their lives ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That thou wouldst bless all the children of our schools, and grant that they may be true, pure, and obedient ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

[That thou wouldst grant unto us a Church complete in the beauty of holiness, and ministers to minister

to this portion of thy vineyard ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.]

That thou wouldst bless all the fallen who turn to thee for help, that, as they have yielded their members servants to iniquity, they may serve before thee in newness of life ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That thou wouldst stablish the hearts of thy faithful people, and confirm what thou hast wrought in them ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That thou wouldst bless all those who are sick, and who suffer in mind or body amongst us, and grant them grace to submit to thy holy will ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That thou wouldst have mercy upon all in their last agony, and deliver them from the bitter pains of eternal death ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of t world ;

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, th takest away the sins the world ;

Have mercy upon u

O Lamb of God, th takest away the sins of t world ;

Grant us thy peace.

OUR Father.

O Lord, deal not with after our sins ;

Neither reward us aft our iniquities.

ALMIGHTY and eve lasting God, who do govern all things in he ven and earth ; mercifu hear the supplications us thy servants, and gra unto this parish [*a* . . .] all things that a needful for its spiritu welfare ; [schools where to bring up the young thy faith and fear ; mi isters to labour in th portion of thy vineyar a church complete in t beauty of holiness Strengthen and confi the faithful ; protect a guide the children ; vi and relieve the sick a

fflicted ; turn and soften he wicked ; rouse the areless ; recover the fall- n ; restore the penitent ; emove all hindrances to he advancement of thy ruth ; and bring all to be f one heart and mind ithin the fold of thy holy hurch ; to the honour nd glory of thy blessed on, Jesus Christ our Lord. men.

O SAVIOUR of the world, who by thy oss and precious blood ast redeemed us, save us, id help us, we humbly eseech thee, O Lord. men.

General Intercession

REMEMBER, O Lord, thy Holy Catholic urch throughout the orld ; where it is in error rrect it ; where it is superstition purify it ; here it is wanting supply needs ; especially have ercy upon the branch thy Church which thou st planted in this land, r mother of whom we re born to thee.

Turn thee again, thou rd of Hosts ; look down from heaven, behold and visit this vine.

Remember, O Lord, our spiritual fathers and brethren, the bishops, priests, and deacons, who throughout the world rightly divide the word of truth.

Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness, and thy saints sing with joyfulness.

Remember, O Lord, all those who travel, all those in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, bonds, imprisonment, and who from their affliction call upon thee, and have none else to help them.

Save them, O God, for thy Name's sake, and avenge them in thy strength.

Remember, O Lord our God, the spirits of all flesh who have departed this life in thy faith and fear, whom we remember, and who are forgotten upon earth, from Abel, thy just servant, until this present day. Grant them, O Lord, refreshment, light, and peace, in the land of the living, in thy kingdom, in the bosom of Abraham, where sorrow, and pain, and sighing are banished

away, where the light of thy countenance ever shineth, and thou dost wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord ; and let light perpetual shine upon them.

And to us sinners, thy servants, hoping in the multitude of thy mercies, grant that the end of our lives may be peaceful, and dear in thy sight. Gath us under the feet of thi elect, when thou wilt a as thou wilt, only witho shame and sin ; throu Jesus Christ our Lo thine only-begotten S in whom thou art w pleased, with whom th art worshipped and glo fied, in the unity of t Holy Ghost, now and ages of ages. Amen.

THANKSGIVINGS

I

For Peace

O LORD Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, who in thy great mercy hast restored unto thy people the blessing of peace : we render thee thanks and praise for this thy goodness towards us, and beseech thee that thou wouldst preserve us evermore in thy holy keeping, that we may bring forth the fruits of a godly and peaceful life ; for thine own merits' sake, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

II

For Recovery from Sickness

O GOD, in whose hand are the issues of life and death ; we thank thee that thou hast restored unto us our *brother* from the gates of death, and we beseech thee that *he* may dedicate the life thou hast preserved to thy service, and may finally be found worthy to enter that happy abode where sickness and death can never come ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

III

For Deliverance from Peril

O GOD, the protector of all who trust in thee ; we thank thee that thou hast in thy great mercy extended thy hand to deliver us from peril and danger. Grant, O Lord, that we may ever abide under thy defence, that thy faithfulness and truth may be ever our shield and buckler, so shall we not fear for the pestilence that walketh in darkness, nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noonday. And grant also, O gracious Lord, that we may shew forth thy praise not only with our lips, but by giving up

our lives to thy service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

IV

After a Journey

O GOD, who didst lead the children of Israel through the Red Sea as upon the dry land, who didst also lead the wise men from the East to the cradle of thy dear Son through the guiding of a star; we thank thee that thou hast granted unto us a prosperous journey, a quiet time, and seasonable weather, and beseech thee that, guarded by thine holy angels, we may arrive safely, this life's journey ended, in the land of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V

For Deliverance from Pestilence

O GOD, who at the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite didst bid the destroying ang cease; we thank thee th in like mercy thou ha now stayed thine han and delivered our liv from pestilence, our fe from the valley of t shadow of death. We co fess that we are unworth of the least of these t mercies, and beseech th that we may ever ser thee in holiness of lif through Jesus Christ o Lord. Amen.

VI

After Harvest

O MOST merciful F ther, who hast bles ed the labours of the hu bandman in the retu of the fruits of the eart we give thee humble a hearty thanks for this t bounty; beseeching th to continue thy lovin kindness to us, that o land may still yield h increase, to thy glo and our comfort; throu Jesus Christ our Lo Amen.

SECTION IV

Eucharistic Devotions

DIRECTIONS AND DEVOTIONS FOR THE CELEBRANT

The private prayers which re here suggested for the cele- rant should be learnt by heart, r there ought to be no book on e altar except the text of the te. They should be said lently, except the Prepara- on and the Last Gospel.

raeparatio ad Missam

The priest who is about to lebrate must be in a state grace and fasting from mid- ght. He should have said attins and some prayers of reparation (see pp. 226 ff.). *e will wash his hands saying e appointed prayer* (p. 241) *d will then make ready the ssels.*

He will set a purificator lded lengthways across the alice : and then the paten th the large host on the cha- e. He will cover the paten th the pall and spread the k veil over all, and then set e burse on the veil, with the ening towards himself.

He will then put on the vest- nts, saying the appointed ayers (p. 241).

When the hour strikes, he ll take the chalice in his t hand, laying his right hand on the burse. He will make a slight bow to the cross in the sacristy, and then follow the server to the altar.

He stops at the lowest step before the altar and makes a low bow ; or a genuflexion if the holy sacrament is reserved there.

He then ascends the steps and sets the chalice covered on the gospel side of the altar, takes the corporal from the burse, and sets the burse on the gospel side leaning against the wall or gradine. He then unfolds the corporal in the middle of the altar and sets the chalice covered upon it.

With joined hands he goes to the epistle side, and opens the book. He returns to the middle of the altar, bows slightly to the cross, and then, turning by the epistle side, he comes down to the lowest step before the middle of the altar.

He makes a low bow (or genuflexion if the sacrament is reserved there), and begins to say in a clear voice :

✝ IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

He stands erect with hands joined.

Priest. I will go unto the altar of God :

Server. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.*

P. Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people : O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

S. For thou art the God of my strength, why hast thou put me from thee : and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me ?

P. O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me : and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

S. And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness : and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

P. Why art thou so heavy, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me ?

S. O put thy trust in God : for I will yet g him thanks, which is help of my countenan and my God.

P. Glory be to the ther, and to the Son, a to the Holy Ghost :

S. As it was in the ginning, is now : and e shall be, world with end. Amen.

P. I will go unto altar of God :

S. Even unto the C of my joy and gladness

P. ✠ Our help is in Name of the Lord :

S. Who hath made h ven and earth.

P. I confess to C Almighty, blessed M ever-Virgin, blessed Mi ael the Archangel, bles John Baptist, the h Apostles Peter and Pa all the Saints and to y brethren, that I h sinned exceedingly thought, word, and d (*he thrice strikes breast*) by my fault, my fault, by my m grievous fault. Wherefo I pray blessed Mary ev Virgin, blessed Mich the Archangel, bles

* If mass is said for the dead, and in masses of the season Passiontide, the priest omits the Psalm and says after this, ' help, etc.'

ohn Baptist, the holy postles Peter and Paul, l the Saints, and you, ethren, to pray for me the Lord our God.*

S. Almighty God have ercy upon you, forgive ou your sins, and bring ou to everlasting life.

P. Amen.

The priest says this confes- on bowing before the altar, t he does not bow towards e server. He now stands ect with hands joined. The server repeats the con- ssion, saying to you, father, d you, father, *where the iest has said* to you, bre- ren *and* you, brethren.

P. Almighty God have ercy upon you, forgive ou your sins, and bring ou to everlasting life.

S. Amen.

P. ✠ The Almighty and erciful Lord grant unto pardon, absolution, and mission of our sins.

S. Amen.

The priest stands slightly inclined.

P. Wilt thou not turn and quicken us, O Lord :

S. That thy people may rejoice in thee.

P. Shew us thy mercy, O Lord :

S. And grant us thy salvation.

P. Lord, hear my prayer.

S. And let my cry come unto thee.

P. The Lord be with you.

S. And with thy spirit.

Extending and joining his hands, the priest says, Let us pray, *and ascends to the midst of the altar saying secretly :*

TAKE from us, we beseech thee, O Lord, our iniquities, that with pure hearts and minds we may enter into the Holy of Holies ; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

He kisses the altar in the middle.

* For alternative forms see pp. 33, 34, 44.

The Order of
The Administration of
The Lord's Supper
or
Holy Communion

The priest, standing before the midst of the altar, says these prayers with joined hands.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are h
Cleanse the thoughts
our hearts by the
spiration of thy H
Spirit, that we may p
fectly love thee, a
worthily magnify t
holy Name; throu
Christ our Lord. *Am*

The priest turns to the p
ple with joined hands.

GOD spake th
words, and said
am the Lord thy Go
Thou shalt have n
other gods but me.

People. Lord, ha
mercy upon us, and
cline our hearts to k
this law.

Minister. Thou sh

not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy law in our hearts, we be seech thee.

The priest turns back to wards the altar.

Collect for the King

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY an everlasting God, w are taught by thy hol Word, that the hearts c Kings are in thy rule an governance, and tha thou dost dispose an turn them as it seemet best to thy godly wis dom : We humbly be seech thee so to dispos and govern the heart c *GEORGE* thy Servan our King and Governo that, in all his thought words, and works, h may ever seek thy hon our and glory, and stud to preserve thy peopl committed to his charg in wealth, peace, an godliness : Grant this, merciful Father, for th dear Son's sake, Jesu Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Collect. Epistle. Gospel.

The priest goes to the book at the epistle side and reads the Collect or Collects; and then the Epistle. The server moves the book to the gospel side, and the priest goes to the midst before the altar and bows with joined hands, saying:

CLEANSE my heart and my lips, almighty God, who with a live coal didst cleanse the lips of Isaiah the prophet: and vouchsafe of thy gracious mercy so to cleanse me that I may be able worthily to proclaim thy holy Gospel; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESS me, O Lord. The Lord be in my heart and on my lips that I may worthily and rightly proclaim his Gospel. Amen.

Then the priest goes to the book and announces the Gospel, signing the cross on the book, on his forehead, lips, and breast. He reads the gospel, and, except when the mass is for the dead, he lifts the book with both hands and kisses it at the title of the gospel, saying secretly, By the words of the gospel may my sins be blotted out. *He returns to the midst of the altar moving the book, and as he says,* I believe in one God, *he extends, slightly elevates, and then joins his hands, and so continues:*

The Nicene Creed

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, * AND WAS INCARNATE BY THE HOLY GHOST OF THE VIRGIN MARY, AND WAS MADE MAN, And was

* Here the priest makes a slow genuflexion, placing his hands on the altar.

crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, ✣ And the life of the world to come. Amen.

The priest kisses the altar in the middle.

The priest reads the offertory facing the altar.

The Offertory

LET your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *St. Matt.* v.

The priest uncovers the chalice. He places the veil folded towards the epistle side. With the right hand he sets the chalice outside the corporal on the epistle side. He sets the pall on the veil. The server brings what bread will be required for communion and the priest places this on the paten or on the corporal or in the ciborium. He then holds the paten over the corporal level with his breast and says secretly:

RECEIVE, holy Father, almighty, eternal God, this spotless host which I, thine unworthy servant, offer to thee my God, the living and true for my numberless sins and offences and negligences: for all here present: and for all faithful Christians, living and departed; that to me and

to them it may avail for salvation unto life eternal. Amen.

*The priest sets the host on the altar and goes with joined hands to the epistle end. He then takes the chalice with his left hand, and with his right hand wipes the inside with the purificator. He takes the cruet from the server, and pours into the chalice what wine is required. Then the server holds up the cruet of water and the priest blesses the water * with the sign of the cross, saying :*

O GOD, who didst wonderfully create, and yet more wonderfully renew, the dignity of the substance of man : grant to us that by the mystery of this water and wine we may be partakers of his divinity who vouchsafed to become partaker of our manhood, Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord : who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

While saying this prayer, the priest pours a very little water into the chalice. He wipes away with the purificator any drops there may be on the sides of the chalice.

Then with his left hand he puts the chalice near the corporal, and the purificator by the side of the corporal. With joined hands he comes to the midst of the altar, and then takes the chalice by its knob with his right hand, and by its foot with his left hand, and lifts it to the level of his eyes, saying :

WE offer to thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation : humbly beseeching thy clemency that in the sight of thy Divine Majesty it may ascend as a sweet-smelling savour for our salvation and for that of the whole world. Amen.

Then he places the chalice on the corporal, and covers it with the pall. With hands joined on the altar, he bows slightly and says :

IN the spirit of humility and with a contrite heart may we be accepted of thee, O Lord : and may our sacrifice be so offered in thy sight to-day that it may be well-pleasing to thee, O Lord our God.

* When mass is said for the dead, this prayer is said but the water is not blessed.

Then, standing erect, he extends and raises his hands, and for a moment raises his eyes, saying :

COME, almighty and eternal God, the sanctifier, and bless ✝ this sacrifice prepared for thy holy Name.

With joined hands the priest goes to the epistle end. He holds his hands over the dish held by the server, who pours water over the thumb and forefinger of each hand. Meanwhile he says :

I WILL wash my hands in innocency, O Lord : and so will I go to thine altar ;

That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving : and tell of all thy wondrous works.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house : and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

O shut not up my soul with the sinners : nor my life with the bloodthirsty ;

In whose hands is wickedness : and their right hand is full of gifts.

But as for me, I will walk innocently : O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.

My foot standeth right : I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

When the server brings the alms, the priest sets them on the altar.

After washing his hands, the priest goes to the midst of the altar. He turns to the people when he says, Let us pray, etc., *extending and rejoining his hands ; and then, turning round to the altar, proceeds with hands extended.*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications

* The *Gloria* is not said in masses for the dead, or in masses of the season in Passiontide.

and to give thanks, for all men ;

Oblation of the Elements.

We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty ;

Beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord : And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

Remembrance of the Living.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors ; and specially thy servant *GEORGE* our King ; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed : And grant unto his whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments :

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace ; and specially to this congregation here present : that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word ; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

REMEMBRANCE OF THE DEPARTED.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom:

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Here the priest turns to the people with joined hands.

The Short Exhortation

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

The confession is said by the server, the priest meanwhile standing and facing the altar.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever

hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here the priest turns to the people. He makes the sign of the cross not higher than his shoulders towards the people.

The Absolution

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The priest stands with joined hands.

The Comfortable Words

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

St. Matt. xi. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

St. John iii. 16.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 *Tim.* i. 15.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 *St. John* ii. 1.

Here the priest raises his hands to the height of his shoulders, holding them with palms facing one another. He joins them as he says ' Let us give thanks, etc.'

℣. Lift up your hearts.

℟. We lift them up unto the Lord.

℣. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

℟. It is meet and right so to do.

Here the priest turns to the altar, and stands with hands extended.

The Preface

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father,* Almighty, Everlasting God.

Here shall follow the Proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed: or else immediately shall follow,

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify th glorious Name; eve more praising thee, ar saying,

The priest bows sligh over the altar with han joined, saying:

The Sanctus

HOLY, Holy, Hol Lord God of Host heaven and earth a full of thy glory: Glo be to thee, O Lord mo High. *Amen.*

Here the priest stands ere

✠ BLESSED is that cometh the Name of the Lor Hosanna in the highes

Proper Prefaces

Upon CHRISTMAS DAY, *and seven days after.*

BECAUSE tho didst give Jes Christ thine only So to be born as at th time for us; who, b the operation of th Holy Ghost, was mad very man of the su stance of the Virg

* *These words* [Holy Father] *must be omitted on* Trinity Sunday.

Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, etc.

Upon EASTER DAY, *and seven days after.*

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, etc.

Upon ASCENSION DAY, *and seven days after.*

THROUGH thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his most glorious Resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up to heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, etc.

Upon WHITSUNDAY, and *six days after.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth; giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, etc.

Upon the Feast of TRINITY *only.*

WHO art one God, one Lord; not one only Person, but three Persons in one Substance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, etc.

Here the priest kneels.

Prayer of Humble Access

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodie may be made clean b his body, and our sou washed through h most precious bloo and that we may eve more dwell in him, an he in us. *Amen.*

The priest says the pray of consecration in a low, cle voice, standing before the alt with hands extended. For consecration of the bread holds the large host betwe the forefinger and thumb each hand, bowing over altar and resting his fo arms on it. After he has s the words of consecration, continues, 'This do, etc.,' *genuflects, then elevates Host above his head, and a replacing the Sacrament the altar, he genuflects aga*

If there is bread in ciborium to be consecrated uncovers the ciborium be he says 'Who in the sa night,' *and covers it ag after the consecration.*

For the consecration of wine, he takes the pall off chalice and sets it on epistle side. He holds chalice with his right h at the knob, and with left hand at its foot. bows slightly over the a resting his forearms on it.

After he has said the w of consecration, he sets

chalice on the altar, and continues 'This do, etc.' *Then he genuflects, takes the chalice as before with both hands, elevates it, replaces it on the corporal, covers it with the pall, and genuflects again.*

The Consecration

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again;

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy ✝ creatures of bre✝ad and wi✝ne, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Bo✝dy and Blo✝od:

THE INVOCATION.

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given ✝ thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU: Do this in remembrance of me.

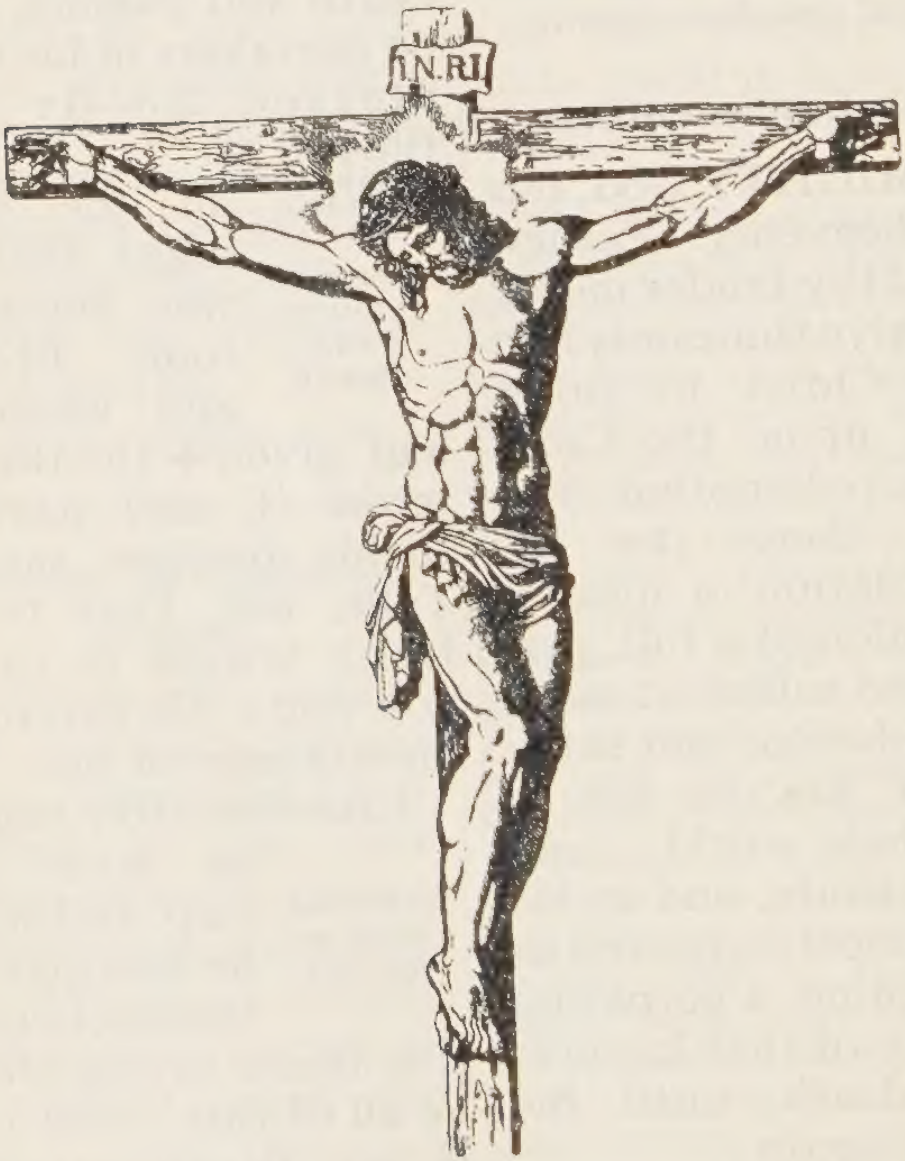
CONSECRATION OF THE BREAD.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given ✝ thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. *Amen.*

CONSECRATION OF THE CUP.

At the Consecration of the Bread.

O memoriale mortis Domini,
Panis vivus, vitam praestans homini.



At the Consecration of the Cup.

Pie pelicane, Jesu, Domine,
Me immundum munda tuo sanguine.

The priest is careful not to disjoin the forefinger and thumb of his hands except when touching the Host, after the consecration of the bread until after the ablutions.

The priest stands erect with hands extended.

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly-beloved Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, we thy humble servants do celebrate, and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with ✝ these thy holy gifts, the memorial which thy Son hath willed us to make : having in remembrance his blessed passion, mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same, entirely desiring thy fatherly goodness (*here the priest joins his hands and signs thrice over the Host and Chalice together, and then once over each*) mercifully to accept this ✝ our ✝ sacri✝fice of pra✝ise and thanks✝giving : (*with hands extended*) most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church * [*especially . . .*] may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. (*Here he bows low and sets his joined hands on the altar.*)

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls, and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that whosoever shall be partakers of this ✝ holy ✝ Communion, (*here he signs the Host and Chalice and then himself*) may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus

* Here he may remember the faithful departed.

Christ, and be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly ✢ benediction, and made one body with thy Son Jesus Christ, that he may dwell in them, and they in him.

And although we be (*he strikes his breast*) unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, and command these our prayers and supplications, by the ministry of thy holy angels, to be brought up into thy holy Tabernacle before the sight of thy divine Majesty: not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, (*The priest joins his hands and signs thrice over the Host and Chalice together.*)

Through ✢ Jesus ✢ Christ ✢ our Lord; (*he uncovers the Chalice, genuflects, signs thrice with the Host over the lips of the Chalice*)

By ✢ whom, and with ✢ whom, in the ✢ unit of the Holy Ghost (*he signs twice with th Host between the Chalic and his breast*) all honou and glory be unto thee (*elevating slightly th Chalice with the Hos above it*) O Father Al mighty,

(*He replaces the Hos covers the Chalice, an genuflects.*) World with out end. Amen.

Let us pray (*he joins hi hands*).

As our Saviour Chris hath commanded an taught us, we are bol to say: (*with hands ex tended*)

OUR Father, whic art in heaven: Ha lowed be thy Name Thy kingdom come Thy will be done, i earth as it is in heaven Give us this day ou daily bread: And for give us our trespasse as we forgive them tha trespass against us. An

lead us not into temptation.

℟. But deliver us from evil. Amen.

DELIVER us, O Lord, we beseech thee, from all evils past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Mary ever-Virgin, Mother of God, of thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and Andrew, and of all Saints, favourably grant peace in our time; that by the help of thy mercy we may be kept free from all sin and safe from all distress.

Now the priest uncovers the Chalice, genuflects, takes the Host and, holding it above the Chalice, divides it in two parts; saying:

Through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Then he places the part of the Host in his right hand on the paten: and breaks a fragment from the part in his left hand: saying:

Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,

Here he places the part of the Host in his left hand on the paten: and with his right hand he holds the fragment over the Chalice, and says:

World without end. *Amen.*

Now he makes the sign of the cross thrice with the fragment above the Chalice, saying:

THE peace ✣ of the Lord be ✣ always ✣ with you.

℟. And with thy spirit.

Placing the fragment in the Chalice:

THIS commingling and consecration of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ be to us who receive it for eternal life. *Amen.*

The priest covers the Chalice with the pall, genuflects, and then bowing before the Sacrament, with joined hands, and thrice striking his breast, says:

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world : have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world : grant us thy peace.

[*In masses for the dead is said not* 'Have mercy, etc.,' *but* 'Grant them rest' ; *and to the third response is added* 'eternal' ; *and the priest does not strike his breast.*]

Then with hands joined on the altar the following prayers are said : but in masses for the dead the first prayer is omitted.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who saidst to thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you : regard not my sins but the faith of thy Church : and grant her that peace and unity which is according to thy will : who livest and reignest, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, who by the will of the Father and by the co-operation of the Holy Ghost hast by thy death given life to the world deliver me by this thy most sacred Body and Blood from all my sins and from every evil and make me ever to cleave to thy commandments, and suffer me never to be separated from thee : who, with the same God the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest God world without end. A men.

LET not the partaking of thy Body, O Lord Jesus Christ, which I, though unworthy, do presume to receive, turn to my judgement and condemnation : but according to thy loving kindness, let it be profitable to me for the receiving of protection and healing both of body and soul : who with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost livest and reignest, God world without end. A men.

The priest genuflects and says :

I WILL receive the Bread of heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord.

Then slightly bowing he takes both parts of the Host between the thumb and forefinger of his left hand, and holds the paten beneath the same forefinger : with his right hand he thrice strikes his breast, saying thrice :

LORD, I am not worthy: that thou shouldest come under my roof : but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

Then signing himself with his right hand with the Host he says :

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my body and soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

Then he receives both parts of the Host ; and replaces the paten on the altar. He uncovers the chalice, genuflects, and says :

WHAT reward shall I give unto the Lord for all the benefits that he hath done to me ? I will receive the Cup of salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. I will call upon the Lord which is worthy to be praised, so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

He takes the chalice with his right hand and signs himself with it, saying :

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my body and soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

Then he drinks from the chalice, holding the paten below his chin ; he wipes the lip of the chalice with the forefinger of his left hand, and covers with the pall.

He genuflects, takes the ciborium, and proceeds to administer communion to the people, beginning at the south end of the rails.

After the communion of the people, the priest replaces the chalice on the altar, genuflects, and consumes what remains of the holy sacrament, if it is to be consumed. Whatever particles remain on the paten or on the corporal are carefully collected into the chalice. Then he holds the chalice towards the server on the epistle side (above the altar), who pours a little wine into it. Meanwhile he says :

GRANT, O Lord, that what we have taken with our lips we may receive with a pure heart :

and may this temporal gift be to us an eternal healing.

He drinks the ablution, holding the paten under his chin.

MAY thy Body, O Lord, which I have taken, and thy Blood which I have drunk, cleave to my soul: and grant that no stain of sin may remain in me whom these pure and holy sacraments have refreshed: who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

While saying this prayer the priest brings the chalice to the epistle end of the altar, holding over it the thumb and forefinger of each hand: and the server pours wine and water over them.

The priest sets the chalice between the corporal and the purificator: then takes the purificator and dries his fingers whilst returning to the middle of the altar. He holds the purificator under his chin and drinks the ablution. Then he sets the chalice on the corporal, and dries his lips and the chalice with the purificator.

He places the chalice outside the corporal on the gospel side, sets the purificator over its lip: and the paten on it, and then the pall. He folds the corporal, first the part which is in front, and places it in the burse. Then he sets the chalice in the middle of the altar, spreads the veil over it and places the burse on it.

The server brings the book to the epistle corner. The priest goes to the epistle corner and reads with joined hands:

POST-COMMUNION

The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father, Which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The Thanksgiving

This prayer is read with hands extended.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us

who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The priest shuts the book (unless there is a special Last Gospel) and returns to the middle of the altar. As he says 'Glory be, etc.,' *he separates his hands, elevates them to the level of his shoulders, joins them and makes a slight bow. He proceeds with joined hands:*

Gloria in Excelsis

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand

of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. ✠ Amen.

The priest kisses the altar in the middle; and says with hands joined,

The Blessing

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;

THE PEACE.

The priest then raises his eyes, extending, raising and joining his hands; he bows his head to the cross, saying,

And the blessing of God Almighty, (*he turns to the people*) the Father, the Son, and ✠ the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING.

The priest goes to the gospel end, and with hands joined says:

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. And with thy spirit.

Then he signs the altar or the book: and his forehead lips, and breast.

✠ The beginning of the holy Gospel according to John.

℟. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness

to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. (*Here he genuflects.*) And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father) full of grace and truth.*

℟. Thanks be to God.

Then the priest goes to the middle of the altar, takes the chalice by the knob with his left hand and sets his right hand on the burse. He turns by the epistle side and descends the steps. Standing in the middle, he makes a low bow to the cross (or a genuflexion if the sacrament is reserved), and then returns to the sacristy, saying 'Let us sing the song, etc.,' p. 242. *The priest then takes off the vestments and washes the purificator, the chalice, and the paten.*

NOTES

I. The suggestions that are made for the movements of the priest while celebrating, have for their aim reverence and quickness. The service with twelve communicants should be over within half an hour.

II. The sacristy should be perfectly clean and tidy, and so far as possible silence should always be kept there, and very strictly before and after mass. It is convenient that

* When a feast falls on a Sunday or any day with a proper gospel, that gospel replaces this from St. John.

the prayers of preparation and thanksgiving should be printed on a large chart, and hang above the vesting table. There should be a bowl and jug of water for the washing of the chalice.

III. The mensa of the altar ought to be covered with one white linen cloth doubled so as to cover the surface twice, and, above this, with another white linen cloth reaching to the ground on either side. There should be a crucifix and two lights on the altar, and a desk or cushion for the book. The frontal and the vestment should be of the same colour.

IV. The breads should be fresh : after being kept for three weeks they should be replaced by new.

The wine should be light and clear and such as will not stain.

The candles should be in part at least of bees-wax ; and should be blessed (p. 312).

The vestments and linen for the altar should also be blessed (p. 309 f.).

The pall must be of linen ; on its lower side a piece of linen should be tacked, so that it may easily be removed and burnt when soiled. Blotting paper must never be used.

V. When the priest reads the prayers or preface at the altar, he stands with hands extended not beyond or above his shoulders, the palms facing each other. When he joins his hands, the palms are pressed together. He reads the epistle with hands on the book, the palms downwards ; and the gospel with hands joined.

VI. When he stands facing the people or moves towards either end of the altar, he is careful to keep his eyes on the ground.

VII. The priest should genuflect with head erect. If he uses one hand to turn the pages of the book, he should lay the other hand on the altar. When he makes the sign of the cross, he places his left hand on the altar or on his breast.

VIII. When the priest kisses the altar, he does so in the middle, with his hands on either side outside the corporal: but on the corporal between the consecration and the ablutions.

IX. At the Name of Jesus, the priest should make a slight bow, with joined hands, towards the cross except at the gospel, when the bow is made towards the book.

X. The priest says the words of administration in a clear voice to each communicant, and is very careful to keep hold of the chalice.

XI. When the priest drains the chalice, he had best drink the Wine in two or three sips. The foot of the chalice should never be seen above his head.

XII. If the ciborium is to be purified; after the priest has consumed the precious Blood, wine is poured into the ciborium and then the priest pours it into the chalice for the first ablution.

XIII. In the rare case of much of the sacrament remaining after the communion of the people, the priest, and such other of the communicants as he shall call unto him, shall, immediately after the blessing, reverently eat and drink the same.

XIV. When the priest approaches and leaves the altar, the veil is folded back over the burse, but nothing may be carried on it.

XV. When there is no server, the people should answer the priest throughout the mass, beginning at the Preparation.

XVI. If the priest is to celebrate again on the same day, he takes no ablutions. He drains the chalice, wipes the lip of it with his forefinger, and then covers it with the paten, pall, veil and burse. The priest purifies his fingers in the small vessel of water which should be on the altar. The chalice is left on the corporal till the next mass, when the priest is careful not to wipe it inside at the offertory.

CANON MISSAE *

TE igitur, clementissime Pater, per Iesum Christum Filium tuum Dominum nostrum, supplices rogamus, ac petimus uti accepta habeas, et benedicas, haec dona, haec munera, haec sancta sacrificia illibata, in primis, quae tibi offerimus pro Ecclesia tua sancta catholica : quam pacificare, custodire, adunare et regere digneris toto orbe terrarum : una cum famulo tuo Papa nostro N. et Antistite nostro N. et omnibus orthodoxis, atque catholicae, et apostolicae fidei cultoribus.

Memento, Domine, famulorum famularumque tuarum N. et N. et omnium circumstantium, quorum tibi fides cognita est, et nota devotio, pro quibus tibi offerimus : vel qui tibi offerunt hoc sacrificium laudis, pro se, suisque omnibus : pro redemptione animarum suarum pro spe salutis, et incolumitatis suae : tibique reddunt vota sua aeterno Deo, vivo et vero.

Communicantes, et memoriam venerantes, in primis gloriosae semper Virginis Mariae, Genitricis Dei et Domini nostri Iesu Christi : sed et beatorum Apostolorum ac Martyrum tuorum, Petri et Pauli Andreae, Iacobi, Ioannis Thomae, Iacobi, Philippi Bartholomaei, Matthaei Simonis et Thaddaei, Lini Cleti, Clementis, Xysti Cornelii, Cypriani, Laurentii, Chrysogoni, Ioanni et Pauli, Cosmae et Damiani : et omnium Sanctorum tuorum ; quorum meritis, precibusque concedas, ut in omnibus protectionis tuae muniamu

* 'The Canon of the Roman Mass is the best of prayers (if not indeed, the best of all Latin compositions) in its direct, unadorned prayerfulness.'—The Rev. Dr. Nairne, Regius Professor of Divinity Cambridge, in the *Church Quarterly Review*, July, 1928, p. 314.

auxilio. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Hanc igitur oblationem servitutis nostrae, sed et cunctae familiae tuae, quaesumus Domine, ut placatus accipias: diesque nostros in tua pace disponas, atque ab aeterna damnatione nos eripi, et in electorum tuorum iubeas grege numerari. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Quam oblationem tu, Deus, in omnibus, quaesumus, benedictam, adscriptam, ratam, rationabilem, acceptabilemque facere digneris: ut nobis Corpus, et Sanguis fiat dilectissimi Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi.

Qui pridie quam pateretur, accepit panem in sanctas, ac venerabiles manus suas, et elevatis oculis in caelum ad te Deum Patrem suum omnipotentem, tibi gratias agens, benedixit, fregit, deditque discipulis suis, dicens: Accipite, et manducate ex hoc omnes, HOC EST ENIM CORPUS MEUM.

Simili modo postquam coenatum est, accipiens et hunc praeclarum Calicem in sanctas, ac venerabiles manus suas: item tibi gratias agens, benedixit, deditque discipulis suis, dicens: Accipite, et bibite ex eo omnes. HIC EST ENIM CALIX SANGUINIS MEI, NOVI ET AETERNI TESTAMENTI: MYSTERIUM FIDEI: QUI PRO VOBIS ET PRO MULTIS EFFUNDETUR IN REMISSIONEM PECCATORUM.

Haec quotiescumque feceritis, in mei memoriam facietis.

Unde et memores, Domine, nos servi tui, sed et plebs tua sancta, eiusdem Christi Filii tui Domini nostri tam beatae passionis, nec non et ab inferis resurrectionis, sed et in caelos gloriosae ascensionis: offerimus praeclarae maiestati tuae de tuis donis, ac datis, hostiam puram, hostiam sanctam, hostiam immaculatam, Panem sanctum vitae aeternae, et Calicem salutis perpetuae.

Supra quae propitio ac sereno vultu respicere digneris: et accepta habere, sicuti accepta habere dignatus es munera pueri tui iusti Abel, et sacrificium Patriarchae nostri Abrahae: et quod tibi

obtulit summus sacerdos tuus Melchisedech, sanctum sacrificium, immaculatam hostiam.

Supplices te rogamus, omnipotens Deus : iube haec perferri per manus sancti Angeli tui in sublime altare tuum, in conspectu divinae maiestatis tuae : ut quotquot ex hac altaris participatione sacrosanctum Filii tui Corpus, et Sanguinem sumpserimus, omni benedictione caelesti et gratia repleamur. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Memento etiam, Domine, famulorum, famularumque tuarum N. et N., qui nos praecesserunt cum signo fidei, et dormiunt in somno pacis.

Ipsis, Domine, et omnibus in Christo quiescentibus locum refrigerii, lucis et pacis, ut indulgeas, deprecamur. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Nobis quoque peccatoribus famulis tuis, de multitudine miserationum tuarum sperantibus, partem aliquam, et societatem donare digneris, cum tuis sanctis Apostolis et Martyribus : cum Ioann Stephano, Mathia, Barn ba, Ignatio, Alexandr Marcellino, Petro, Felic tate, Perpetua, Agath Lucia, Agnete, Caecili Anastasia, et omnib Sanctis tuis : intra qu rum nos consortium, n aestimator meriti, sed v niae, quaesumus, largit admitte. Per Christu Dominum nostrum.

Per quem haec omni Domine, semper bo creas, sanctificas, vivi cas, benedicis, et praest nobis. Per ipsum, et cu ipso, et in ipso, est ti Deo Patri omnipotenti, unitate Spiritus Sanc omnis honor et gloria.

S. Per omnia saecu saeculorum.

M. Amen.

Oremus.

Praeceptis salutarib moniti, et divina instit tione formati, audem dicere :

Pater noster, qui in caelis : sanctificet nomen tuum : adveni regnum tuum : fiat volu tas tua, sicut in cael et in terra ; panem no trum quotidianum nobis hodie : et dimit

obis debita nostra, sicut
t nos dimittimus debi-
oribus nostris ; et ne nos
nducas in tentationem.
M. Sed libera nos a
nalo.
S. Amen.
Libera nos, quaesumus,
omine, ab omnibus malis,
raeteritis, praesentibus,
futuris : et intercedente
eata et gloriosa semper
irgine Dei Genitrice
aria, cum beatis Apos-
olis tuis Petro et Paulo,
que Andrea, et omnibus
nctis, da propitius pa-
m in diebus nostris : ut
e misericordiae tuae ad-
ti, et a peccato simus
mper liberi, et ab omni
rturbatione securi.
Per eumdem Dominum
ostrum Iesum Christum
lium tuum, qui tecum
vit et regnat in unitate
piritus Sancti Deus.
S. Per omnia saecula
eculorum.
M. Amen.
S. Pax Domini sit sem-
r vobiscum.
M. Et cum spiritu tuo.
Haec commixtio, et con-
cratio Corporis et San-
inis Domini nostri Iesu
risti, fiat accipientibus
bis in vitam aeternam.
men.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi : miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi : miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi : dona nobis pacem.

Domine Iesu Christe, qui dixisti Apostolis tuis : Pacem relinquo vobis, pacem meam do vobis : ne respicias peccata mea sed fidem Ecclesiae tuae : eamque secundum voluntatem tuam pacificare et coadunare digneris : qui vivis et regnas Deus per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Domine Iesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, qui ex voluntate Patris co-operante Spiritu Sancto, per mortem tuam mundum vivificasti : libera me per hoc sacrosanctum Corpus et Sanguinem tuum ab omnibus iniquitatibus meis, et universis malis : et fac me tuis semper inhaerere mandatis, et a te numquam separari permittas : qui cum eodem Deo Patre, et Spiritu Sancto vivis et regnas Deus in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Perceptio Corporis tui,

Domine Iesu Christe, quod ego indignus sumere praesumo, non mihi proveniat in iudicium et condemnationem : sed pro tua pietate prosit mihi ad tutamentum mentis et corporis, et ad medelam percipiendam : qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Panem caelestem accipiam, et nomen Domini invocabo.

Domine, non sum dignus, ut intres sub tectum meum : sed tantum dic ve bo, et sanabitur anima me

Corpus Domini nos Iesu Christi custodi animam meam in vita aeternam. Amen.

Quid retribuam Domi pro omnibus quae ret buit mihi ? Calicem sal taris accipiam, et nom Domini invocabo. La dans invocabo Dominu et ab inimicis meis salv ero.

Sanguis Domini nos Iesu Christi custodiat a mam meam in vita aeternam. Amen.

PRAYERS BEFORE MASS

I

From the Apologia of the Priest in the Liturgy of St. James.

O LORD our God, I have sinned against eaven and before thee, nd am not worthy to pre- ent myself before thy oly table, whereon thy nly-begotten Son, our ord Jesus Christ, is mys- cally set forth as a sacri- ce for us sinners; but ject me not utterly, nough polluted with the ultitude of my sins. Not s being worthy, but look- g up to thy goodness, do cry unto thee. O God, e merciful to me a sinner. end down upon me the pirit of Consolation to repare and confirm me r this service (and en- ble me to declare with- it condemnation thy ord unto thy people); rough Jesus Christ our rd, with whom, together ith thy most holy, good, and quickening Spirit, thou art blessed, now and to everlasting ages. Amen.

II

O ALMIGHTY Father, behold I, who am dust and ashes in thy sight, presume to appear before thee to offer up to thee this most holy sacrifice, through our great High Priest, Jesus Christ our Lord.

I offer it in union with that sacrifice he offered upon the cross, and which he still presents before thine altar on high.

I offer it for thine honour and glory, to the praise of thy holy Name, and in adoration of thy Divine Majesty.

I offer it in thanksgiving for the death and passion of thy dear Son, and for all the blessings I have received from thee, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

I offer it to obtain par-

don and remission of all my sins, and of the sins of the flock committed to my charge, through the precious blood here pleaded before thee.

I offer it for all needful blessings and graces, both for myself and for all others for whom I ought to pray, that the living may find grace, and the faithful departed rest and peace.

O be thou pleased so to assist me by thy grace that I may behave as I ought in thy divine presence, and that I may so commemorate the death and passion of thy dear Son that I may obtain grace here and eternal glory hereafter; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

III

O FATHER of mercies, and God of all comfort, who so lovedst the world as to give up thy only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and hast moreover willed that the sacrifice which he there made of himself should be continually commemorated before thee in thy Church, that the benefits of it may be applied to ourselves; grant, I beseech thee, that I may attend on this wondrous and salutary mystery with earnestness, reverence, and devotion, that by the offering of this unbloody sacrifice, I may effectually partake of all those blessings, which he with so much suffering and blood offered up himself to procure for us through the same Jesus Christ. Amen.

IV

From the 'Paradise of the Christian Soul.'

O LORD and Holy Father, who hast summed up the multitude of legal sacrifices in the one sacrifice of the new law, and who hast given us on Mount Calvary in thy beloved Son, the great High Priest of either testament, an example of perfect oblation, according to which we are to offer; grant that by thy grace, we may be conformed to the image of thy Son, who vouch

safed for us to take upon himself the form of a servant.

And as he offered himself upon the cross, both body and soul, in a bloody manner, after the order of Aaron, and in an unbloody manner, at the last supper, after the order of Melchizedek, so may I, after his example, present my body a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to thee, and my soul also with all its faculties and powers, as a holocaust of praise, a sacrifice of thanksgiving, my bounden duty and service, acceptable in and through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V

'The Prayer of the Veil,' from the Liturgy of St. James: said when the veil was taken from the sacred Elements.

WE render thee thanks, O Lord our God, that thou hast given us boldness to enter into the holiest, through the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way which thou hast consecrated through the veil of the flesh of thy Christ. Therefore thus entering into the tabernacle of thy glory, and brought within the veil, we fall down before thee, full of fear and dread, about to offer this holy sacrifice for our sins, negligences, and ignorances. But do thou, O Lord, send forth thy grace, and hallow our souls, bodies, and spirits, that so with pure hearts we may offer to thee this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

VI

O GOD, who, by the blood of thy dear Son, hast consecrated unto us a new and living way into the Holy of Holies; grant unto us the assurance of thy mercy, and sanctify us by thy heavenly grace, that we, approaching unto thee with pure heart and undefiled conscience, may offer unto thee a sacrifice in righteousness, and duly celebrate thy holy mysteries, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

VII

From the Liturgy of St. James.

O GOD, our God, who didst send forth the heavenly bread, the nourishment of the world, the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour, to be our ransom and our benefactor, to bless and sanctify us; bless thou thyself this offering, and receive it upon the heavenly altar.

Remember for good those who offer it, and those for whom it is offered, and keep us free from condemnation in the celebration of thy holy mysteries: whose glorious Name is hallowed for evermore. Amen.

VIII

HOLINESS is thy nature and thy gift, O eternal King. Holy is thine only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom thou hast made the world. Holy is thine ever-blessed Spirit, who searcheth all things, even the depths of thine infinite perfections. Holy art thou, Almighty and merciful God; thou madest man in thine own image, broughtest him into paradise, and didst place him in a state of dignity and pleasure, and, when he had lost his happiness by transgressing thy commands, thou of thy goodness didst not abandon and despise him; thy providence was still continued, thy law was given to revive the sense of his duty, thy prophets were commissioned to restrain and instruct him. And, when the fulness of time was come, thou didst send thine only-begotten Son to satisfy thy justice, to strengthen our nature, and renew thine image within us.

For these glorious ends thine eternal Word came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Ghost, born of the blessed Virgin, conversed with mankind, and directed his life and miracles to our salvation.

And, when his hour was come, he offered the propitiatory sacrifice upon the cross, he who had no sin himself mercifully undertaking to suffer death for our sins.

IX

From the Liturgy of the Nonjurors.

WE beseech thee to look favourably on these thy gifts, which are here set before thee, O thou self-sufficing God: and do thou accept them to the honour of thy Christ, and send down thine Holy Spirit, the Witness of the passion of our Lord Jesus, upon this sacrifice, that he may make this bread the Body of thy Christ, and this cup the Blood of thy Christ, that they who are partakers thereof may be confirmed in godliness, may obtain remission of their sins, may be delivered from the devil, and all his snares, may be replenished with the Holy Ghost, may be made worthy of thy Christ, and may obtain everlasting life, thou, O Lord Almighty, being reconciled unto them, through the merits and mediation of thy Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

X

TRUSTING only in thy mercy, O Lord Jesus, I draw near; sick that thou mayest heal me, hungry that thou mayest feed me, thirsty that thou mayest give me drink, poor and needy that thou mayest relieve me, desolate to my kind Comforter.

But whence is this to me that thou shouldst come unto me and give thyself to me? how shall I appear before thee, how canst thou come to me a sinner?

Thou knowest, O good Lord, that I have no good thing in me to deserve this mercy: I confess my unworthiness, I acknowledge thy goodness, I give thee thanks for thy mercy, I praise thee for thine exceeding love.

Since, therefore, it is thy will, since thou hast said, 'Come unto me,' I come, O Lord; let not my sins move thee to reject me; be it unto me according to thy word; for there is none other Name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved, but thine,

O most blessed Lord and Saviour.

And whatsoever is wanting unto me, do thou, O most merciful Jesus, vouchsafe to supply out of the riches of thy merits, thy pains and labours, thy bitter death, whereby thou hast redeemed me, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

XI

O FATHER Eternal, of whom, by whom, and in whom are all things, whose blessed Son, not seeking his own glory, hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to thee for a sweet-smelling savour, I also, doing as he did, would offer unto thee the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and pay my vows to thee, the Most High. Thou art the Lord Most High over all the earth ; thou hast the power of life and death ; in thee I live, and move, and have my being ; and to thee I give my heart for an everlasting and reasonable service. I am thy servant ; I choose thee this day in this sacrifice for my King and my God, who alone doest great wonders. Into thy hands I commend my spirit ; do always that which is good in thine eyes.

XII

O GOD, merciful and long-suffering, thou hast so loved the world as to give thine only-begotten Son ; yea, thou hast even given thy Son, who thought it not robbery to be equal with thee, yet taking upon himself the form of a servant, emptied himself, and became for me obedient unto death, even the death of the cross, and the day before he suffered gave for me his Body and Blood, that I might be an heir of thee, and co-heir with himself. Mighty God ! Father of mercies ! Blessed art thou in thy gifts !

Bless thou the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy Name. But, O Father Eternal, what shall I render unto thee for all thy benefits towards me? Lo ! I will take the Cup of salvation, and call upon thy

Name. Thou hast given for me thy only-begotten Son, and with him thou hast given me all things : I also, in thanksgiving for all thy mercies of creation, redemption, calling, preservation, and providence, will offer to thee the same thy beloved Son, in whom thou art well pleased, and with him my own heart, which I entreat thee graciously to accept for his sake.

XIII

O FATHER of mercies, against thee only have I sinned! Woe is me, my iniquities have gone over my head ; but I have an Advocate with thee, Jesus Christ the Righteous, who is the propitiation for my sins, and hath reconciled me to thee in his own body on the tree ; and in thine anger remember thy compassion, and be merciful to me a sinner. Wherefore, O Lord, I bring before thee his plenteous redemption in this Eucharist, wherein the same Christ is offered after an unbloody manner, who offered himself once for all with blood on the altar of the cross.

XIV

O MOST loving Father, whose will it is that I should be holy; be mindful, I entreat thee, of the words of thy Son, ' If ye ask anything of the Father in my Name, he will give it you.' Lo, I bring before thee his holy Name, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross—the Name of Jesus, in which alone I can find salvation. He is thy beloved Son ; therefore, for the glory of his Name, give me a contrite and humble heart ; give me the charity which covereth a multitude of sins ; grant that I may be a pastor after thine own heart, a faithful steward of thy mysteries ; that I may be meek and lowly, and may do always such things as are pleasing to thee, and so with fear and trembling work out my own salvation, that I may dwell in thy house for ever.

XV

O MOST mighty God and merciful Father, who according to the multitude of thy mercies dost

put away the sins of those who truly repent; open, O Lord, I beseech thee, the eyes of thy mercy upon me, thy most unworthy servant, who earnestly implore thy pardon of all my offences. Thy blessings and benefits I have abused, thy judgements and punishments not feared, the means of my salvation too often neglected; and thus most grievously have provoked thy wrath and indignation. Shouldst thou, therefore, O Lord, be extreme to mark what is done amiss, and take vengeance for my sins, I were as dust before the wind, and might be swept away for ever. But, O Lord, with thee there is mercy, that thou mightest be feared. Thou art a loving and gracious Father, ready and willing to hear all sinners that are truly sorrowful for their sins. In the Name, therefore, of Jesus Christ, my blessed Redeemer, I humbly bow down before thy mercy-seat, accompanied with no other hope than that, for his sake alone, thou wilt have compassion upon me, and not let my sins be a cloud between thee and my distress.

And now, O Lord, I am about to receive the blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, yet how shall I, who am so great a sinner, presume to approach thy table? The heavens are not clean in thy sight, and the pillars of the earth shake at thy Presence! Yet, Lord, there is in the Gospel left us the command of thy Son, 'Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden.' This command would I obey, in confident assurance that, according to thy promise in Christ Jesus, thou wilt have mercy upon me. Wash me throughly from my wickedness, cleanse me from my sin, and renew a right spirit within me: and of thy goodness so direct me in this service, that all the faculties of my soul and body may be intent rightly to apprehend, and humbly to receive this eternal Food, the Bread of Life, the heavenly and wonderful mystery; and that, by thy grace, I may obtain the full virtue and

benefits of the death and passion of my Saviour, the remission of my sins, and everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

XVI

GLORY be to thee, O gracious Jesu, who, to impress thy love deeply on our souls, hast instituted this blessed Sacrament, and commanded us, 'Do this in remembrance of me.' Let the propitiatory sacrifice of thy death, which thou didst offer upon the cross for the sins of the whole world, and particularly for my sins, be ever in my mind; but especially in this holy Sacrament, let my remembrance of thee be most lively and affecting.

I know, O my Lord and my God, that a bare remembrance of thee is not enough: do thou, therefore, fix in me such a remembrance as is suitable to the infinite love I am to remember; work in me all those holy and heavenly affections which become the remembrance of a crucified Saviour.

O merciful Jesu, let that immortal Food, which in the Holy Eucharist thou vouchsafest me, instil into my weak and languishing soul new supplies of grace, new life, love, vigour, and resolution, that I may nevermore relax in what thou requirest of me.

O my God, thou who alone changest the heart, be pleased to change mine: change my aversion from thee into an entire love of thee. Give me a filial repentance, that with a broken and contrite heart I may grieve for all my past sins, may for ever forsake them, and live in stedfast obedience to thy commandments. Let the love of thee so possess my soul that I may henceforth lead a new life, guided by a lively faith in thy mercy through Christ, a steady belief in thy love to sinners, and an earnest reliance on the merits and mediation of thy crucified Son, for whom I would live and adore thee for ever.

Bp. Ken.

XVII

O GOD, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst at that Last Supper confer

the priesthood on all thy holy Apostles, and give them power to consecrate the holy mysteries, when by the washing of their feet he had admonished them of the necessity of the inward cleanness, and so admitted them to eat of the true Paschal Lamb, the Body and Blood of their Lord ; grant that I may hold in due honour and reverence the grace and office of the priesthood, conferred upon me by the laying on of the hands of the bishop, their successor, and so perform the work of a faithful priest, that I may be found not to have despised the healing gifts of salvation, or to have received thy grace in vain.

XVIII

O MOST high and adorable God, I desire to offer to thee this sacrifice in remembrance of the all-holy Humanity, Incarnation, Nativity, Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Jesus Christ the Righteous. For his sake, therefore, look graciously upon the Church, his spouse, that she may be presented to thee, beautiful, without spot or wrinkle. Break the power of her persecutors and enemies. Root out heresies and schisms. Pour out the light of thy truth upon all aliens and apostates from the faith, and bring them into the true fold. Provide faithful bishops and pastors, workmen diligent and unreprovable, who may watch anxiously for the flocks committed to them. Pour out upon thy people the graces of humility, obedience, and godly concord. Give to the righteous, perseverance ; to the advancing, earnestness ; but chiefly to sinners, repentance ; for thou hast no pleasure in the death of him that dieth ; but that the dead might live thou wouldst that thine own Son should die. Do thou, then, draw sinners unto thee with the cords of thy love, for indeed they cannot come unto thee, unless thy love draw them. Hear, O gracious God, especially the prayers and desires of those whose care most lieth upon me, as my dear relations . . . friends . . .

benefactors . . . and especially those whose souls are committed unto me, and of whom thou wilt one day require an account from me. Direct them all, I beseech thee, in the way of eternal salvation, that by thy help they may desire whatever is pleasing to thee and perform it with all their strength. Look upon all who are tempted, sick, or placed in difficulty and danger. Be thou the Comforter of the afflicted, the Father of the fatherless, the gracious Judge of the widow, and the Defender of all faithful Christians : for the eyes of all are towards thee, until thou have mercy upon them. Spare our enemies, also, O Lord ; grant that they may love thee above all things, and their neighbours for thee. Look, also, upon all the souls of the faithful departed. Grant them to rest in peace, and that they may find mercy of the Lord in that day.

XIX

O LORD, forasmuch as thou hast willed that I should undertake the office of the priesthood, for all these do I act as ambassador with thee. Oh ! let the lifting up of my hands, even this unbloody sacrifice, be set forth in thy sight as the incense. But, O Lord, seeing that I am myself compassed with infirmity, how shall I praise thee, since praise is not seemly in the mouth of a sinner ? or how shall I come as an intercessor for the sins of others, who am in such hazard of my own ? Behold, therefore, our only Mediator and Advocate, who can both worthily praise thee, and make intercession for us, even thy Son : for he is both Priest and Victim, the Offerer and the Oblation. For his sake, therefore, grant also unto me that I may diligently adorn this state to which thou hast vouchsafed to call me, with all the virtues needful to it, as charity, zeal, chastity, gentleness, humility, and the like. Make me such a minister to thee as thou wouldst have me to be. Help me, O Lord, and command what thou wilt, and all through the

merits of Jesus Christ, our great High Priest and true Chief Victim.

XX

O GOD the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, who didst regenerate me in baptism, who hast inspired my prayers, who hast given me thy sevenfold gifts in confirmation, who hast in addition to thine other gifts called me to the holy office of the priesthood; visit and cleanse my conscience, that my Lord Jesus Christ may, when he cometh, find in me a mansion prepared for himself.

Without thee I can do nothing; every virtue I possess, every victory I have won, every gift of holiness, is from thee. Thou must convince of sin, and thou must speak the message of forgiveness which the precious blood has purchased, that, cleansed in that healing flood, we may enjoy peace in thee.

I pray thee, therefore, to inspire my prayers that I may ask aright, that I may obtain those gifts and graces I need, in order that I may worthily celebrate thy holy mysteries, and be a worthy partaker of this most sacred feast.

I pray thee to send thy light into my soul that I may discover those sins I have been guilty of in thought, word, and deed, that, confessing and forsaking them, I may obtain mercy.

I pray thee to pour into my heart that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, so that I may love God with all my heart, with all my soul, and with all my strength, and may love my neighbour as myself.

I pray thee to take of the things of Jesus and shew them unto me, that having in remembrance his precious death and passion, his glorious resurrection and his session at the right hand of God where he ever liveth to make intercession for us I may have that lively faith in his mercy, and that thankful remembrance of his death wherewith I may approach this Sacrament of his love, and touching

him like the poor woman in the Gospel, may hear his most sweet voice, 'Go in peace; thy faith hath made thee whole.'

Finally, I pray thee to grant unto me the grace of perseverance, that, having known the way of truth, I may never leave it, that to live may be to live in Christ, and to die eternal gain.

XXI

O CHRIST Jesu, I am indeed dust and ashes in thy sight, but thou art the refuge of sinners, and thy mercies are without limit and bound.

Thou hast the words of eternal life. To whom else shall I go but thee, who callest the weary and heavy laden, that thou mayest refresh them.

I am sick and infirm, but they that are whole need not a physician. If the very shadow of Peter passing by healed the sick, ought I not to trust in thee, that entering under my roof, and dwelling in me, thou wilt heal me from my infirmity?

Therefore, knowing that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwelleth no good thing, I arise to approach thee, my Physician and my Refuge, hoping that this communion may be for the increase of my faith, hope, and charity, a firm protection against my foes, the extermination of evil desires, the increase of faith, humility, purity, and all virtues, and the pledge of future glory.

XXII

O MOST sweet Saviour, Christ Jesu, how great was the strength of that love which drew thee from the bosom of the Father unto this sinful earth, to take human flesh, to undergo misery, innumerable injuries, nay, the death of the cross, for us miserable sinners, and for our salvation.

We were the criminals, and thou didst undergo the shame and the punishment.

And that love, which thus drew thee down upon earth, led thee when about to return to the Father, thy labour of love accomplished, to leave us in this blessed Sacrament the

pledge of thy love, whereby in a mysterious manner thou, whose delights are with the sons of men, ever abidest with those whom thou hast chosen.

O mighty work of love, whosoever abideth in love abideth in thee. I desire to receive thee in this holy mystery, to be united to thee, that I may say with thine Apostle, 'Who shall separate me from the love of Christ?'

Accomplish and perfect this my desire, O most blessed Lord and Saviour.

XXIII

O THOU, upon whom the eyes of all wait for food, who openest thine hand and fillest all things living with plenteousness, and who knowest that our souls, like our bodies, need food that they may live, behold I approach unto thee that I may be fed with the Bread of Life. For in thy Church is the true Manna to sustain us thy children passing through the wilderness of this world to thee; here the Bread of grace and of the word is plenteously broken, that Living Bread which descended from heaven, which was born in Bethlehem, the house of bread. O precious Food, O loving Mercy of the eternal Father, to me, neither sowing nor reaping, the Bread of heaven, the Corn of the elect, is given. For thou hast sown it in Bethlehem, thou hast reaped it with the sickle of death on Calvary, and hast laid it up in the garner of thy Church to be the Food of thy children for ever.

Grant to me, therefore, O most loving Father, that I may worthily partake of this Food, that I may be so sustained by this Hidden Manna, that I may go in the strength of that meat unto the mount of God, where I shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more.

Grant unto me, who am not worthy to gather up the crumbs under thy table, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son, and to drink his Blood, that my sinful body may be made clean by his Body, and my soul washed through his most precious Blood

that I may evermore dwell in him and he in me.

XXIV

I BELIEVE, O Lord Jesus Christ, that thou, being equal and co-eternal with the Father, didst empty thyself of thy glory, and come into this sinful world, for us men and for our salvation.

I believe that thou didst take upon thee our flesh in the womb of the ever-blessed Virgin; that thou didst bear our infirmities and heal our sicknesses; didst give sight to the blind and speech to the dumb, didst cast out devils and raise the dead.

I believe that thou didst suffer hunger and thirst, toil and pain; that thou wast tempted in all points as we are, yet without sin, and being found in fashion as a man didst humble thyself to death, even the death of the cross, for us miserable sinners in darkness and in the shadow of death, that thou mightest make us the sons of God and exalt us to everlasting life.

I believe that, having loved thine own in this world, thou dost love us to the end; that, being about to leave the world and go to the Father, thou didst institute and ordain these holy mysteries, as pledges of thy love, whereby thou mightest ever abide with us after a heavenly and incomprehensible manner, whereby thou mightest become one with us and make us one with thee.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who art a Priest for ever, and who hast said, 'My Flesh is meat indeed, my Blood is drink indeed,' I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God, who camest into the world, and art present in this Sacrament. Lord, increase my faith. I believe that there cannot be a greater happiness than to receive thee worthily, a greater misery than to receive thee unworthily; that without faith I shall but increase my condemnation. Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.

And this faith is thy gift, O dearest Lord: what canst thou deny me who hast given thyself for me? Lord, increase my faith.

XXV

O LORD Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, how shall I dare to approach thee? Thou art my Redeemer, my Lord, and my God, the King of heaven and earth, and I am but dust and ashes, nay worse, a disobedient and ungrateful sinner.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but remember, O Lord, that being God thou tookest upon thee the form of a servant, and didst dwell with publicans and sinners, and humble thyself even to death. Let that humility move thee not to despise me a miserable sinner, but to come unto me and make thine abode with me.

Yet how shall I dare receive thee? The sweetness of thy words invites me, but the multitude of my sins makes me afraid.

How shall I receive thee into my soul who have so often offended thee, whom angels and archangels fear, whom glorified saints revere?

I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, have mercy upon me; I resign myself wholly to thy mercy; thou knowest all my faults from the first hour I could sin unto this hour; wash me from mine iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

Trusting only in thy great mercy, I approach thee, sick to the Physician, hungry and thirsty to the Fount of life eternal, poor to the King of heaven and earth, a slave to the Lord of all things, a creature to the Creator, hoping that in this great Sacrament thou wilt confer upon me spiritual grace, and restore in my soul that which I have lost, so that I may be thine for evermore.

XXVI

O ALMIGHTY Father, trusting in the multitude of thy mercies, I am about to approach thine altar from which, conscious of my sins and iniquities, I deserve to be banished, lest I should be guilty of the Body and Blood of my Lord.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. Re

member not my offences, but thy manifold loving-kindness.

For if thou wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, who, Lord, may abide it? Who will dare approach thy table, who can bear the scrutiny of thy justice, or stand in thy sight, before whom the heavens are not pure?

I confess my iniquity, and am sorry for my sin, I beseech thee forgive mine iniquity. Thou, who hast given thine only-begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him may not perish, have mercy upon me. My iniquities are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear, but he has borne them in his body on the tree.

I am that prodigal and disobedient son, who, having fled from thee, have consumed all my substance in riotous living, and now suffer extreme want. To whom shall I come if not to thee, for thou art the Father of all mercies, the God of all comfort, who ever receivest those who turn to thee, and cherishest them with paternal love.

I am not worthy to be called thy son, but thou willest to be called my Father; be, therefore, propitious unto me, receive thine exiled son, clothe my nakedness, refresh me, hungering, with the Bread of Life; as a father pitieth his son, so pity me, O most merciful Father, who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live.

XXVII

From Bp. Andrewes.

LORD, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; for it is desolate and ruinous, neither wilt thou find within me place to lay thy head.

But since thou hast not disdained to recline in a stable with the brute beasts, nor disdained to be the guest of Simon the Leper, neither hast spurned the woman who, like me, was a great sinner, nor abhorred the washing of her tears, so deign, O Lord, to receive me, the chief of sinners, to the participation of this immaculate and life-giving sacrament.

PRAYERS AFTER MASS

I

Aspirations

From the 'Paradise of the Christian Soul.'

BEHOLD, O Lord, I have thee, who hast all things: I possess thee, who possessest all things. O my God, and my all, draw my heart from all things beside thee, for in them there is nought but vanity and vexation of spirit. In thee alone is true rest and everlasting life.

Thou art the Physician of my soul, who hast healed my sicknesses by thy stripes. I am that sick man thou camest from heaven to heal. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

Thou art the Good Shepherd, who hast laid down thy life for thy sheep; behold me, the sheep which was lost, yet thou hast fed me with thy Body and Blood. What wilt thou deny me, who hast given me thyself? Thou shalt feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort, until I reach the land of everlasting life.

O true Light, which enlightenest every man that cometh into the world, dispel the darkness of my heart, lighten my eyes that I sleep not in death.

O Well of Living Water, springing up into everlasting life, quench my thirst, revive my drooping soul, here let my fainting spirit lave itself at will.

O King of heaven and earth, rich in mercy, behold me, poor and needy; thou knowest what I need: thou alone canst enrich me; out of the treasures of thy goodness succour my needy soul.

O my Lord and my God, I am thy servant and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder; kindle

my love; enlighten my understanding, that I may know and do thy will.

Thou art the Lamb of God, the Lamb without spot, which takest away the sins of the world. Take from me what displeaseth thee, and give me that which pleaseth thee.

O my God and my all, may the burning power of thy love so absorb my soul, that I may die to the world for the love of thee, who didst deign to die on the cross for love of me. Amen.

II

Colloquy between the Divine Master and the Disciple

The Disciple.

O DEAR Lord and Master, thou art here present, and I see thee not with my bodily eyes, yet my faith perceives thee veiled in these holy mysteries.

O that, like St. John, I might recline upon thy bosom, that I might feel thine heart beating with love, that I might ask of thee grace to be thine for ever.

The Master. Blessed, my child, are they who have not seen and who yet believe; many saw me in the days of my earthly pilgrimage who will never see me in heaven, who but saw me to reject me; but they who see me by faith, they shall be mine for ever. Thou askest for grace: seek and thou shalt find, ask and it shall be given.

The Disciple. O my Lord God, I seek humility, that I may root out pride and confidence in self.

The Master. Behold, for thee I lay an infant in the manger; learn humility from Bethlehem.

The Disciple. O my Lord and my God, my thoughts wander in prayer, I cannot meditate as I would.

The Master. Behold, for thee I passed long nights in prayer on the mountains. Lift up thine eyes to the hills from whence cometh thy help.

The Disciple. O my Lord and my God, the flesh weigheth down my spirit; teach me how to subdue it.

The Master. Behold, for

thee I fasted forty days and forty nights. I suffered hunger, thirst, and pain; learn self-denial from the wilderness.

The Disciple. O my Lord and my God, I seek submission to thy heavenly will, that I may be content to labour in thy vineyard, in sorrow or joy, leaving the result to thee.

The Master. As my Father hath sent me so send I thee. What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter. Learn from Gethsemane to say, Not my will, but thine be done.

The Disciple. O Lord, I seek for peace, for rest in thee; hide me in thy wounded side.

The Master. Behold, my child, it is I, be not afraid; in me there is peace—a peace the world gave not and cannot take away—let thy faith pierce the clouds which in these holy mysteries veil me from thy sight. Dost thou behold these hands?—see, I have graven thee upon them. Dost thou behold these pierced feet?—they walked this weary earth, wearied with seeking thee—thee, the wandering child of my love. Dost thou behold this spear-pierced side?—thence flowed out the water of baptism to redeem thee, the blood which in this sacrament of my love cleanseth thee. Look upon this brow: it was wreathed with a crown of thorns for thee, that thou mightest receive a crown of everlasting glory, and mightest gain that peace, that rest, where no foe can come—the heart of thy Saviour. Speak, my child, is it peace?

The Disciple. It is peace, O Lord, peace—peace in thee.

Because thou now hast with thee thy God and Saviour, who is both able and willing to give thee all things necessary to salvation, pour out thine heart to him with confidence and love, shew him thy troubles, ask of him the graces thou needest both for thyself and those dear to thee.

III

Act of Contrition and Good Resolution

O LORD Jesus Christ, God Incarnate, I lift up mine eyes unto thee who hast said thou camest

to save them which were lost. O Saviour of sinners, of whom I am chief, I deplore with all my heart the sins and offences I have committed against thee; the sins of my childhood; the sins of my youth; the sins I know, and those I know not; the sins I have hidden so long from others, that now, alas! they are hidden from myself.

Woe is me! This fault . . . under which I labour is very displeasing to thee and hurtful to myself. This virtue . . . in which I am wanting is precious in thy sight, and highly necessary to me. Therefore, O Lord, give me the grace to overcome this failing, and to attain to this virtue. Let me strive to root out this fault, and to acquire this grace; for which purpose throughout this day I will practise this mortification . . . will act in opposition to this sin . . . and will avoid this occasion . . . All these things I purpose to perform in thanksgiving for this day's sacrifice and communion. Grant that I may be faithful in my purpose, and that at length having overcome, and being delivered from the hands of my enemies, I may die the death of the righteous, and receive an unfading crown in the heavenly country.

IV

Act of Oblation and Intercession

O ETERNAL Father, I offer to thee thy beloved Son, whom thou hast given to be my food, and with him my own heart, for all the mercies which thou hast bestowed upon me. In him thou art always well pleased. I am poor and needy, and of myself altogether unable to render thee worthy thanks.

Remember, O Lord, that most holy sacrifice, which thy beloved Son offered to thee during his whole life, at the paschal supper, and on the cross; and for the sake of it have mercy on me; my parents; my relations; benefactors and friends; on those who have especially commended themselves to my prayers; all whom I have aggrieved

or neglected to help in soul and body. On all these have mercy, O Father of mercies, granting them thy grace to serve, love, and glorify thee, with thy beloved Son, and the Holy Ghost for ever. And together with them remember, O Lord, the souls of the faithful departed [*especially . . .*], that they may obtain refreshment, light, and peace, and the eternal enjoyment of thy presence, in whom they have hoped and believed.

V

Act of Spiritual Joy

THESE are the feasts which are pleasing to thee, which thou hast left to us orphans, in remembrance of thy love. O Virgin-Born, who hast not disdained that thy holy Body should be touched by me an unworthy sinner, what shall I render unto thee for all that thou hast bestowed upon me? For had I all the riches of the world, they were not in the very least comparable to thy worth, O King of kings, and Lord of lords. O most sweet Jesu, I render thanks to thy tremendous Majesty to the utmost of my frail powers, who hast sweetly refreshed my thirsty soul with thy sacred Body and Blood; and entreat thee that whatever is in me contrary to thy will, may be rooted out by the grace of this holy Sacrament, and my heart made meet to be the abode of thy Holy Spirit.

And, O most kind Jesu, may this communion of thy Body and Blood be to my soul delight and joy, salvation in temptation, peace in tribulation, light in my pilgrimage, and finally my consolation and defence in the hour of my death. Amen.

Sarum Encheiridion.

VI

From the 'Paradise of the Christian Soul.'

To the First-Fruits of the Human Race Jesu Christ;
Whose delights are with the sons of men.

To the Tree of Life;
Planted in the midst of Paradise,
Whose fruit affordeth eternal life to the eater.

To the Paschal Lamb ;
Immaculate--Eucharistic,
Which in perpetual memorial of our deliverance from the spiritual Egypt,
is to be eaten.

To the True Manna ;
Containing in itself all sweetness and delight.

To the Bread of Angels ;
Yet the Food of the pilgrim ;
Which God, giver of himself, bestows upon mortals in the desert of life.

To the True Vine ;
Which nourisheth with celestial sap
the branches in itself abiding, whence floweth *Wine* whose fruit is virgins ;
which maketh glad the heart of man.

To the Mystic Pelican ;
Who nourisheth its children with its own Blood.

To the Good Samaritan ;
Who poureth the wine of love and the oil of mercy into the wounds of men.

To the Priest for ever ;
After the order of Melchizedek ;
Who bringeth forth Bread and Wine—yea, himself.

To the High Priest of our Profession ;
Innocent, harmless, undefiled,
separate from sinners :
Who not for himself, but for *us*, needeth to offer.

To the Good Shepherd ;
Who feedeth us in a green pasture,
And leadeth us forth beside the waters of comfort,
Be all blessing and honour, all praise and glory, all power and dominion, for ever and ever.

VII

Prayer of Oblation

Abridged from the Liturgy of St. James.

WHEREFORE, O Lord, we sinners, thy servants, mindful of his life-giving passion, of his saving cross, his death, his burial, his resurrection on the third day, his ascension into heaven, and his session on thy

right hand, and his second coming with glory to judge the quick and the dead : do offer to thee, our Lord and Master, this awful and unbloody sacrifice, beseeching thee not to reward us after our iniquities, but according to thy unspeakable loving-kindness to blot out the handwriting of our offences that is against us, and grant us those heavenly and eternal gifts which eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, neither have entered into the heart of man to conceive, the things, O God, which thou hast prepared for them that love thee.

And grant that this Holy Communion may be unto those who have received it for the forgiveness of their offences, the sanctification of their souls and bodies, for the bringing forth of the fruit of good works, and for the strengthening of thy Holy Church which thou hast built upon the rock of faith, so that the gates of hell may not prevail against it.

We pray thee for thy Holy Catholic Church; for this congregation ; for those who are over us in the Lord ; and for those to whom we minister ; for those who are afflicted, or in prison, or who suffer for thy Name ; for the sick and dying ; for them that travel ; for them that mourn ; the widows and fatherless ; the poor, the needy ; for the preservation of the fruits of the earth; [for . . . *here think of the especial grace or favour you most need from God for yourself or others,*] and finally, for all those for whom we ought to pray, or who have desired our prayers, which we now offer before thine holy altar.

Remember, O Lord, the spirits of all flesh, whom we remember and who are forgotten upon earth, from Abel thy just servant, until this present day : grant them, O Lord, refreshment, light, and peace, in the land of the living, in thy kingdom, in the bosom of Abraham, where sorrow and pain and sighing are banished away, where the light of thy countenance ever shineth, and thou dost wipe away all tears from the eyes.

And to us sinners, thy servants, hoping in the multitude of thy mercies, grant that the end of our lives may be peaceful, and dear in thy sight. Gather us under the feet of thine elect, when thou wilt and as thou wilt, only without shame and sin ;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, thine only-begotten Son, in whom thou art well pleased, with whom thou art worshipped and glorified, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, now and for ages of ages. Amen.

VIII

Act of Faith

O LORD Jesus Christ, who art a Priest for ever, and who hast said, 'My Flesh is meat indeed, and my Blood is drink indeed,' I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God, and that thou art present in this Sacrament. I believe that thou, my Saviour, true God and true man, thereby communicatest thyself to us, makest us partakers of the fruits of thy passion, and givest us a pledge of eternal life. I believe that there cannot be a greater happiness than to receive thee worthily, a greater misery than to receive thee unworthily. Lord, I believe ; help thou mine unbelief.

IX

Act of Desire for a Good Death

O MY God and my Lord, I praise and bless thee that thou hast vouchsafed me the grace often to participate of thy great mysteries ; to be fed with the divine food of thy Holy Sacrament and comforted with thy sweet and blessed presence.

O most merciful Redeemer, let every tongue bless thee, and every creature celebrate thy bounty, for this inestimable gift. And as for me, because praise is not comely in the mouth of a sinner, I humbly offer thee, O my God, all the praises of the angels and blessed saints, who continually adore thee and sing thy glory.

O glorious Jesus, I beseech thee, before I die, vouchsafe me the graces of true confession, contri-

tion, and satisfaction for all my offences; and that at the hour of my death, I may humbly adore and devoutly receive thee, God and Man, Christ Jesus, Saviour of the world, in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar: and so, with full pardon of all my sins, I may end my life in peace, in the true faith of thy holy Church, and in perfect love and charity with all the world. Amen.

Bp. Challoner.

X

Act of Humility

WHO am I, my God, that I should dare to draw nigh unto thee? Thou art the Holy of Holies, the King of kings, the Lord of lords; and I a poor wretched sinner, unworthy to be called thy son.

How should I dare to approach thee, didst thou not call me so lovingly to come unto thee, I who am not worthy to raise mine eyes unto thee.

But remember, O good Jesu, that being God, thou didst humble thyself to us who lay in darkness and the shadow of death, and didst deign to hold converse with publicans and sinners.

Therefore, O my God, I cry to thee with the publican, 'God be merciful to me a sinner.' Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but say the word only and my soul shall be healed.

XI

Act of Reparation

O LORD Jesus, my God and Saviour, who for our sakes didst endure the outrages and insults of them who crucified thee, and dost yet deign to bear with those who neglect thy sacred presence in this sacrament of thy love, or approach thee not discerning thy Body, I bewail these and all other indignities which thou dost bear in love to thy people, and beseech thee to kindle in my heart, and in the hearts of all of us who have approached thine altar, fervent love, deep reverence, and unfeigned devotion, such as shall be well-pleasing to thee, that thou mayest be honoured

in this sacrament of thy love. Amen.

XII

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, my Lord Jesus Christ, be merciful to my sins through my reception of thy Body and thy Blood. For thou hast said, 'Whoso eateth my Flesh, and drinketh my Blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.' Wherefore I humbly pray thee to make me a clean heart and to renew a right spirit within me, to deliver me from all the snares of the devil and to cleanse me from all my faults [*especially* . . .], that I may be partaker of thy heavenly joys, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God world without end. Amen.

Sarum Missal.

XIII

O ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, return thee thanks and raise for all thy mercies ouchsafed unto me; and articularly for the opportunity which thou hast this day given me of receiving that holy sacrament which thy Son Jesus Christ has appointed as a memorial of his death and sufferings, and for the support and nourishment of our souls. I confess, O Lord, that I have not received it with a suitable degree of love and devotion towards thee, nor am I sufficiently sensible of those blessings which it both commemorates and imparts. Forgive, O Lord, the weakness and imperfection of this and all my other services: increase my faith, enliven my heart with a constant and thankful affection towards thee, and enable me, by thy Holy Spirit, to fulfil the promises of obedience which I have now made to thee. Make me watchful over my thoughts, words, and actions; and grant that I may lead an honest, sober, chaste, and godly life, following the example of my blessed Master, Jesus Christ, and placing my whole trust in his precious death for the pardon of my sins; that, when he shall come again to judge the world, I may

be found clothed with his righteousness, and be received into thy heavenly kingdom.

XIV

O JESUS, blessed Guest, who hast condescended to come under the roof of thy unworthy servant, drive away from my mind and heart all vain thoughts and imaginations, that my soul may delight in the contemplation and love of thee alone. Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation. How wonderful is thy Name, how great is thy mercy ! What shall I render unto thee, O Lord Jesus, for all the benefits which thou hast this day done unto me ? Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy Name !

XV

O MY Saviour, what but love has brought thee down to me so poor and vile ? What dost thou desire of me but love ? Make me, then, to love thee for thine own sake, and to present my body a living sacrifice unto thee, which is my reasonable service. Purify me, therefore, even as thou art pure : turn away mine eyes lest they behold vanity, and quicken thou me in thy way : set a watch before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips ; nor let mine heart be inclined to any evil thing. Let me speak thy words alone, hunger after thee, the Bread of angels, thirst for thee, the Fountain of life, and out of the abundance of the heart fulfil all righteousness. Shew me what thou wouldst have me to do, that I may please thee all the days of my life. Grant what thou commandest, and command what thou wilt.*

What wilt thou deny me, who hast given thyself to be my meat and drink, and a pledge of future glory ? Have mercy therefore, upon me, according to thy loving-kindness. Teach me to know thee, and to know

* Da quod jubes, et jube quod vis.—*St. Augustine.*

myself, that I may exalt thee and abase myself, may abhor myself and love thee, may mortify myself and live in thee, and possess thee for ever.

Let me learn of thee to be meek and lowly in heart, and to possess my soul in patience : teach me to do thy will, and to receive whatever happens to me as from thee. Incline my heart to thy testimonies, to thy poverty, and not to covetousness. Thou art my treasure : in thee alone let my heart be fixed.

XVI

O SAVIOUR, Lover of purity, cleanse the thoughts of my heart, that I may serve thee with a chaste body, and please thee with a pure mind.

Grant me to be temperate in all things, to receive my daily food as a remedy for my weakness until thou vouchsafe to deliver me from such necessities. Let it be my meat to do thy will, and to adhere to thee, O my God.

Kindle within me that fire which thou camest to send upon the earth, that I may be fervent in spirit, serving thee, the Lord, and may do all things to thy glory.

Look, O Lord, upon my affliction, and see how many they are that oppress me. My spirit is ready, but my flesh is weak. Arise, therefore, and help me, and suffer me not to be led into temptation, that I may give praise unto thee, because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God. Hide me within thy wounds, for there is my sweet refuge and my rest.

O Lord, I know not what to ask as I ought : do thou grant me what thou knowest to be most expedient for thy glory. Give me the knowledge of the saints, the knowledge of salvation, the spirit of wisdom and understanding. Guard my soul amidst so many dangers, that I may be holy as thou art holy. Make me a worthy minister of thy altar, and a shepherd after thine own heart. Since I am called to be a steward of thy holy mysteries, let me regard nothing but

thee : let me be ready to lose my life in this world, that I may keep it unto life everlasting.

XVII

O MY Saviour, thou art infinitely rich : all the treasures of divine grace are in thee. These treasures thou bringest with thee when thou dost visit us in this blessed sacrament ; and thou takest an infinite pleasure in opening them to us to enrich our poverty. This gives me confidence to approach thee now with my petitions—to beg of thee those graces and virtues, of which, as thou knowest, I greatly stand in need.

Increase and strengthen my belief of thy heavenly truths, and grant that henceforward I may ever live by faith, and be guided by the maxims of thy Gospel. Teach me to be poor in spirit, and take away my heart from these passing things, and fix it upon eternity.

Teach me to be meek and humble of heart, and to possess my soul in patience. Grant that I may ever keep my body and soul pure from lust, may ever bewail my past sins, however small they may have seemed, and by daily mortification restrain all my sinful inclinations for the future.

Above all, teach me to love thee, and to walk always in thy presence, to love my friends in thee, and my enemies for thee ; and grant me grace to persevere to the end in this love, and so to come at the last to that happy place where I may love and enjoy thee for ever.

XVIII

O CHRIST Jesus, meek and lowly of heart, who being in the form of God didst humble thyself and become obedient unto death, even the death of the cross, and who dost yet humble thyself to come unto us, miserable sinners, under the outward forms of bread and wine; grant that, following thy steps in all lowliness, meekness, and humility, I may not be highminded, but fear, and so receive grace from thee who resistest the proud but givest grace to the humble.

O my Lord and my God, who didst choose the state of poverty upon earth, and hadst often no place whereon to lay thine head, incline my heart to thy testimonies and not to covetousness, that I may not seek to lay up treasure on earth, where rust and moth corrupt, but may lay up treasure in heaven, that, where my treasure is, my heart may be also.

O Immaculate Lamb, who didst will to be born of a pure Virgin, grant unto me purity of mind and body, through this blessed sacrament which I have received. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

O thou who wast led as a lamb to the slaughter, and who wast dumb as a sheep before its shearers, who being reviled reviledst not again, grant unto me the spirit of patience and submission, that not rendering evil for evil or railing for railing, I may overcome evil with good.

O Christ my Saviour, who, when thou wast thirsty, didst drink vinegar and gall, but who hast prepared a table of spiritual delights for thy people in this blessed sacrament, who hast brought us to thy banqueting house, whose banner over us is love; grant that I may die to all carnal delights, and may keep my body in temperance and soberness all the days of my life, mortifying all immoderate desires, that I may be meet to be admitted to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

O thou who didst pray with agony and bloody sweat to thy Father, remove from me all sloth in devotion, all wandering thoughts, that with heart, soul, and spirit I may praise thee and worship thee now and for evermore.

Grant to me thy grace, who hast given me thyself, for there is none other name given under heaven whereby we must be saved.

XIX

THINE, O Lord, are all things which are in heaven, and which are upon the earth.

I desire to offer myself,

my body, my soul, and my spirit, to be a willing sacrifice to thee, and to continue thine for ever.

O Lord, in the simplicity of my heart, I offer myself unto thee this day, in humble submission, for a sacrifice of perpetual praise.

Receive thou me with the holy oblation of thy precious Body, which I have made unto thee in the presence of thy holy angels.

I offer all my sins, O Lord, upon the altar of thy mercy, that thou mayest consume them with the fire of thy love. I offer thee all ; I beseech thee hear me graciously ; behold I commit myself unto thy mercy ; I resign myself into thine hands ; deal with me after thy goodness, not after mine iniquities.

I offer up also all that is good in me although it be already thine, that thou mayest sanctify and accept it. I offer up also the prayers of those who are dear to me, and who have remembered my soul in their prayers.

Also I pray thee for all who have desired my prayers, for all those for whom I ought to pray, the flock committed to my charge : grant that all may receive the help of thy grace, the aid of thy consolation, protection from all danger, deliverance from pain and sickness, that, freed from evil, they may with joy return abundant praise and thanksgiving to thee.

I offer up also these my prayers and intercessions for all those who have in any way wronged, grieved, or slandered me, or have done me any injury ; I pray for all whom at any time I may have vexed, troubled, grieved, or scandalized, knowingly or unknowingly, that thou wilt forgive us our offences one against another ; take away, O Lord, all that can hinder us from brotherly love.

Grant that we may find favour with those who have pleased thee from the beginning, Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, and Confessors, where sorrow and sighing are banished away, and the light of thy countenance shineth for ever.

XX

O FATHER of mercies and God of all consolation, who out of the abundance of thy mercy hast made me a partaker of the Body and Blood of thy dear Son, behold I, a miserable sinner, now plead his death and passion before thee, in union with that love with which he presented himself to thee upon the cross. He is my treasure, in whom my whole hope is fixed; his are the riches which I offer to thee in satisfaction for my sins.

Behold, O God our Defender, and look upon the face of thine Anointed, in whom thou art well pleased, who has now condescended to unite himself to me in these holy mysteries; behold me, therefore, with the eyes of thy mercy. Under his protection, under the shadow of his merits, I appear before thee, that beholding him thou mayest also look graciously upon me.

O let not that soul perish which has been sanctified by the presence of thy dear Son whom thou didst send to seek and save the lost; grant this through thine infinite mercy. Amen.

XXI

I RENDER thee most hearty thanks, O my God, through Jesus Christ thy Son, that thou hast been pleased to deliver him up to death for us, and to give us his Body and Blood, both as a sacrament and a sacrifice, in these holy mysteries, at which thou hast permitted me to assist this day. May all heaven and earth bless and praise thee for ever, for all thy mercies. Oh! pardon me, dear Lord, all my distractions, and the manifold negligences which I have been guilty of this day in thy sight; and let me not depart without thy benediction. Behold, I desire from this moment to give up myself, and all that belongs to me, into thy hands; and I beg that all mine undertakings, all my thoughts, words, and actions, may henceforward tend to thy glory, through the same

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XXII

From the Liturgy of St. Basil.

THE mystery of thy dispensation, O Christ, our God,
Hath been accomplished as far as in us lies.
We have seen the memory of thy death ;
We have seen the type of thy Resurrection ;
We have been filled with thine endless life ;
We have enjoyed thy heavenly delights, of which
We pray thee make us more worthy hereafter ;
Through the grace of God the Father, and of thy holy, good, and life-giving Spirit, let us depart in peace. Amen.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

I

An Act of Spiritual Communion *

O MY most loving Saviour, since I cannot have the happiness of receiving thee this day, suffer me to gather up the crumbs under thy table, and to unite myself to thy divine Heart by faith, hope, and charity.

I confess that I do not deserve the children's bread, but I venture humbly to declare that away from thee my soul is dried up for thirst, and my heart cast down with faintness.

Come, then, unto me, O my divine Jesus, come into my mind to illuminate it with thy light; come into my heart to enkindle in it the fire of thy love, and to unite it so intimately with thine own that it may be no more I that live but thou that livest in me, and reignest in me for ever. Amen.

II

O ETERNAL Father, look here upon thy beloved Son in whom thou art well pleased, and turn away thy face from my sins: for he bare our sins in his own body on the tree, and with his stripes we are healed.

With the publican would I smite my breast in deepest sorrow for those sins which drew down on him such heavy punishment. For his sake be merciful to me a sinner. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who by thy death hast given life unto the world, deliver me from all my sins, and keep me from evil. Make me to abide always in thy commandments, and never suffer me to be separated from thee, who with the

* 'Deinde communicetur infirmus, nisi . . . in quo casu dicat sacerdos infirmo: Frater, in hoc casu sufficit tibi vera fides et bona voluntas, tantum crede, et manducasti.'—*Sarum Manuale.*

Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God, world without end. Amen.

Hear me, O Lord Jesu, who sittest on high with the Father, and art here invisibly present with us, and since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, enter spiritually into my soul, cleanse it from its sins and imperfections . . . adorn it with heavenly gifts and graces . . . and make me worthy with all thy people to partake of thy spotless Body and precious Blood. Amen.

III

O MY sweet Saviour, Jesus Christ, thou art my Sovereign Good, the Fountain of all good, my God and my all. I most firmly believe that for us sinners and for our salvation thou wast pleased to come down from heaven, to take upon thee, by the mystery of thine Incarnation, our human nature, and to become one of us, that so thou mightest be our High Priest and our Victim. I most firmly believe that thou offeredst thyself upon the cross a sacrifice for us all, after having suffered many cruel torments; and that, by thy glorious resurrection and ascension, thou hast opened the gates of heaven for us. I most firmly believe that in these sacred mysteries thou art truly and really present, and that thy sacred Body and Blood are here presented in sacrifice, and verily and indeed received by the faithful in remembrance of thy death. O how happy are those souls who worthily receive thee in this divine sacrament. O what grace, what sanctity, do they receive from this fountain of all sanctity. O merciful Saviour, have compassion on me, and suffer me at least to sigh after thee, and, though I am unworthy of thine embraces, permit me, like the penitent Magdalene, to present myself at least before thy feet, and wash them in spirit with my tears. O may thy sacred Blood, which thou hast shed for all sinners, cleanse my sinful soul this day from all its guilt. O come to me, dear Lord, in spirit, and take posses-

sion of all the powers of my soul. Enlighten mine understanding, and inflame my will with thy love. O let me be thine and be thou mine from henceforth and for ever; and grant that nothing, in life or death, may ever separate me from thee any more. In this one prayer hear me, O Lord, and in all things else do with me as thou wilt. Amen.

IV

IN union, O dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of thy Church [*especially at . . .*] where thy death and passion are pleaded before the Father, I desire to offer thee praise and thanksgiving; I present unto thee my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may be ever united to thee. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from thee, let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

EUCHARISTIC MEDITATIONS

Before Communion

I

'I looked, and lo, a Lamb stood on the Mount Sion.'

CONSIDER, first, my soul, how St. John, in his hour of banishment, saw from the desert isle of Patmos the glory of heaven, and in the centre of that glory the object of angelic adoration—the Lamb of God slain for ever. Consider, my soul, that for thee, as for the beloved disciple, is this vision. In the seasons of earthly joy and pleasure thou seest it not, but when thou art free from worldly influences, then, in the banishment of impure or polluted joy, thou mayest see by faith this bleeding Lamb of God which taketh away thy sins.

For him the patriarchs sighed, in hope of him the prophets died; in every sacrifice which smoked upon the Jewish altar this spotless Lamb was foreshown, but they beheld as through a glass darkly, and they desired to see that which thou seest, and saw not, and to hear that which thou hearest, and heard not.

For in these holy mysteries the Lamb of God once slain is pleaded anew before the Father; his life-giving death is set forth before thine eyes, and his blood pleads for pardon and peace for thee.

O soul of mine, consider, how shalt thou escape if thou neglect so great a salvation?

O Lamb of God, which takest away the sins of the world, grant me thy peace!

II

'And in the midst of the garden was there the tree of life.'

CONSIDER, my soul, how, in the Garden of Eden, the earthly Paradise, stood the tree of life: those who fed upon it

fruit could not die, but would be maintained in constant health and vigour, or translated to the more immediate Presence of their God.

Consider how the Holy Eucharist is thereby represented. His Church is the garden in which thy Lord has placed thee, and in the midst of that garden is the tree of life—this blessed Sacrament whereby thy Lord becomes thy Food, whereby thy God dwelleth in thee, and thou art preserved to everlasting life.

For although this body, thine earthly tabernacle, must perish, yet thou hast a building not made with hands, eternal in the heavens, and, although dust returns to dust, and this frail flesh in which thou dwellest must see corruption, yet, sanctified by the indwelling of thy Lord, it shall lose its stains in the grave, and, pure from all pollution, shall be raised after the likeness of his glorified body.

Consider, O my soul, Adam and Eve were banished from the garden for their sins, and could not partake of the tree of life; beware lest thine unworthiness banish thee from this heavenly Food, this tree of life, which he has now set in the garden of his Church.

Pray, then, for grace to approach aright, and he will hear thy cry and give unto thee Food, even the Bread of Life, in due season.

III

'Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.'

CONSIDER, my soul, how the Israelites assembled on the night of their departure from Egypt, to eat the Paschal Lamb. Their loins were girded, their shoes were on their feet, their staves were in their hands: like strangers and pilgrims eating food in haste, that they might seek a better country, so they ate. For, on that awful night, the angel of death was abroad, and only those houses whose door-posts were sprinkled with blood were spared, when the firstborn were smitten.

Consider, my soul, thou art preparing to keep the feast wherein Christ, the

true Paschal Lamb, is thy Food, and, sprinkled with his most precious blood, the angel of death cannot harm thee, for thy true life is hidden with Christ in God.

How art thou about to approach? Are thy loins girded to walk in the way to eternal life, the straight path, and the narrow way? Are thy feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace? Is he thy Strength of whom it is written, 'Thy rod and thy staff comfort me'?

Thou art departing from the regions of darkness to those of eternal light; thou art a stranger and pilgrim, seeking the new Jerusalem across the waters of the Jordan, the heavenly Canaan; examine thyself lest a promise being made thee of entering his rest, thou shouldst yet fall short of it.

IV

'Thou feddest thine own people with angels' food, and didst give them bread from heaven.'

CONSIDER, my soul, how the children of Israel, sojourning in the wilderness, were nourished by manna, that mysterious food of which it is written, 'So man did eat angels' food, for he gave them meat enough.'

They had escaped the tyranny of Pharaoh, they had passed the waters of the Red Sea wherein they were baptized unto Moses, they were now passing through the wilderness, and beyond them lay the promised land.

But they lusted after evil things, and loathed the heavenly food; they were idolaters, and were slain with the sword; they tempted Christ, and were destroyed of the destroyer; only two entered that land of rest.

Behold, my soul, a warning for thee; thou hast been baptized, not unto Moses, but unto Christ; thou art passing through the wilderness of this world, before thee is the promised land. And here in this wilderness he has spread a table for thee against them that trouble thee, wherein the heavenly Manna—the Food of angels — the Body and Blood of thy Incarnate Lord—are thine.

Oh! soul of mine

strive, lest where others have fallen, thou too shouldst fall; lest thou shouldst lust after carnal delights, make idols of thine earthly pleasures, or tempt him by thy sins to destroy thee, and so never see thy King in his beauty, or the land that is very far off.

V

'But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.'

CONSIDER, my soul, the body of thy crucified Redeemer hanging upon the cross, pain and grief have done their worst, his sacred heart has broken beneath the weight of thy sins; the soldiers approach, one of them pierces that side, and lo, blood and water flow from that sacred fountain.

When Adam lay in sleep, Eve was formed from his side; when the Redeemer slept the sleep of death, the Church, his Bride, derived from his sacred side the principle of her life. For that water prefigured the water of baptism whereby we are newborn in him; that blood the Chalice which is his Blood of the New Testament, shed for many for the remission of sins.

O my soul, consider the price of thy salvation; thou hast been born anew through that water, thou hast been nourished by that blood; consider the cost, mark well the price.

Look at that wounded, mangled body, the fount of thy salvation; look at that forehead, pierced by the thorns; look at that back, livid with stripes; look at those pierced feet, those pierced hands; see from the crown of the head to the sole of the feet there is no whole part. Every nerve has thrilled with agony for thee: for thee who hast crucified him by thy sins.

Oh! soul of mine, when wilt thou learn sorrow for sin? where wilt thou hide thyself?

At the foot of his cross; beneath his wounded side.

VI

'Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.'

CONSIDER, my soul, how Isaiah saw in a vision the glory of the

Lord, how he heard the seraphim singing their *Sanctus*, and saw the King, the Lord of Hosts. Consider how, moved by the sight of infinite holiness, he felt his own sinfulness, and cried, 'Woe is me, for I am undone!'

Consider, how one of the seraphim, taking a live coal in the tongs from off the altar, laid it upon his mouth, and said, 'Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away.' This represents to thee the blessed sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, for as the coal and fire are one, yet distinct, so are the outward and inward parts in the blessed Sacrament.

The seraph took it with the tongs, for he dared not touch it, seeing our Lord took not on him the nature of angels, but it was laid upon the lips of the prophet, seeing that our human nature has been assumed by the Son of God.

My soul, thou art about to enter into the house of the Lord, and his glory will be around thee; the seraphim will join, the angels and archangels wil join with thee in the *Sanctus*; with adoring awe they will behold those mysteries, which we are told they desire to look into; but for thee was th Victim slain, and thy lip will be sanctified by th Blood of the New Cove nant; thy sinful bod will be made clean by hi Body, thy soul washe through his most precio Blood. 'Lo, this hat touched thy lips; an thine iniquity is take away.' 'Thanks be God for his unspeakab gift.'

VII

'If I may but touch his g ment, I shall be whole.'

CONSIDER, my sou how the multitu thronged about Jesu when he went to heal t daughter of Jairus, son from curiosity to beho the Prophet of Nazare some hoping to behold miracle, pressing him every side, without fai without love, knowing n that they touched th God.

Consider, how one po woman, possessing

priceless gift of faith, said within herself, 'If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.' She touched, and her issue of blood was dried up.

Thou art about to draw near thy Lord, to press him amidst the crowd. All alike receive that sacred Body and Blood, but only they who touch with faith live. Multitudes receive that blessed sacrament, pressing about him, yet not touching: hence they do not become one with him, nor he one with them.

Consider, my soul, how art thou approaching? As green wood does not kindle, so cold hearts receive not the fire of divine love. Hast thou faith? Hast thou love?

Consider, my soul, is the vessel of thine heart empty? Or is it filled with the things of this world, the lusts of the flesh, the pride of life? Empty thyself that he may fill thee.

How hast thou prepared thine house to receive thy King as thy guest? Hast thou been cold, lukewarm, careless in prayer, slothful in self-examination? If so, even now, at this eleventh hour, seek from him faith, seek from him love, seek from him contrition, and he will fulfil thy heart's desire, and grant thee all thy mind.

SEVEN FORMS OF PREPARATION AND THANKSGIVING FOR THE HOLY EUCHARIST

By way of Meditation; adapted from 'Mensis Eucharisticus' by X. Lercari, S.J.

I

CHRISTUS

Pontifex Summus

Praeparatio

I.—*Quis venit?* Christ, the great High Priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separate from sinners, and now made higher than the heavens, who in the days of his flesh offered up prayer, with strong crying and tears, to him that was able to save.

II.—*Ad quem venit?* To one of those of whom it has been said, 'Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God,' and who has to render account of his stewardship.

III.—*Ad quid venit?* That he may make thy heart his shrine, that thou mayest say, 'I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me'—and through him in whom thou canst do all things, rightly perform the ministry entrusted to thee.

Aspiratio. — O Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls, I have strayed like a lost sheep myself; how shall I tend thy flock, unless thou abide with me and thy rod and staff comfort me?

Gratiarum Actio

I.—Consider, with the eye of faith, Christ, the great High Priest, united with thee in these holy mysteries.

II.—Make oblation of all thy powers, of body, soul, and spirit, to his service.

III.—Seek his aid who is touched with a feeling of thine infirmities, having been tempted in all points as thou art, yet without sin.

Aspiratio.—Shew thy servants thy work, and their children thy glory; prosper thou the work of our hands upon us: O prosper thou our handywork.

II

CHRISTUS

Refugium peccatorum

Praeparatio

I.—*Quis venit?* Christ, who said, My yoke is easy and my burden is light, and who, for the obedience of a moment, promises eternal reward.

II.—*Ad quem venit?* To his rebellious servant, who from the beginning has rebelled against his yoke, and cast the light burden aside.

III.—*Ad quid venit?* That he may draw his unworthy child from the hard yoke of his passions, to the bond of charity, that he may save him from the burden of the flesh under which he groans, and may teach him the service which is perfect freedom.

Aspiratio.—Whence is this to me, that my Lord and God should come unto me?

Gratiarum Actio

I.—Behold, with the eye of faith, Christ thy God, dwelling in thy heart, who hath bought thee with a great price; and consider thyself as his fugitive and rebellious servant, recalled to thy allegiance.

II.—Love him with all thy heart, soul, mind, and strength, remembering that, 'whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.'

III.—Seek from him the spirit of holy fear, that, abhorring the lightest sin, thou mayst love him, and live in his sight.

Aspiratio.—'Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and

I will give you rest.' Even so I come, Lord Jesus.

III

CHRISTUS

Panis Vitae

Praeparatio

I.—*Quis venit?* Christ, the Bread of Life, who, descending from heaven, has given life unto the world.

II.—*Ad quem venit?* To one to whom it might well be said, 'It is not meet to take the children's bread, and cast it to dogs.'

III.—*Ad quid venit?* That he who bringeth forth bread to strengthen thine heart, may nourish thee, lest thou faint in the way.

Aspiratio.—Lord, I am not worthy to gather up the crumbs under thy table.

Gratiarum Actio

I.—Behold, with the eye of faith, Christ as one breaking bread to the hungry; and thyself as one unworthy even to gather up the crumbs.

II.—Love him as did the poor woman of Canaan, for he has said to thee as to her, 'Be it unto thee even as thou wilt.'

III.—Seek from him that thou mayst go in the strength of that meat and drink, unto the mount of God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

Aspiratio.—O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

IV

CHRISTUS

Esca Angelorum

Praeparatio

I.—*Quis venit?* Christ the Food of angels, the Medicine of immortality, the Pledge of eternal glory.

II.—*Ad quem venit?* To a pilgrim and stranger who hath no abiding city here but seeketh one to come.

III.—*Ad quid venit?* That sustained by this heavenly Manna, thou mayst go in the strength of this Food, in the observance of his command

ments, whether in the day of prosperity or the night of adversity, till thou reach the land of everlasting life.

Aspiratio.— Hold not thy peace at my tears, for I am a stranger with thee and a sojourner as all my fathers were.

GRATIARUM ACTIO

I.—Behold, with the eye of faith, Christ the Provision for thy journey, the Manna sent from heaven, to console thee in the wilderness of this world, until thou come to the heavenly Canaan, where thou shalt hunger no more, neither thirst any more.

II.—Love him as the weary Israelites the rock whence they drank, for from his pierced side flow rivers of living waters.

III. — Seek from him strength that shall never fail, that thou mayst walk in him by day, and rest in peace by night, until thou see him face to face.

Aspiratio.—Like as the hart desireth the water brooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

V

CHRISTUS

Lux Vera

PRAEPARATIO

I.—*Quis venit?* Christ, the Brightness of the Father's glory, who enlighteneth every man that cometh into the world.

II.—*Ad quem venit?* To the spiritually blind, who walk in darkness and the shadow of death, waiting the Dayspring from on high.

III. — *Ad quid venit?* That he may lift up the light of his countenance upon thee, that thy light may so shine before men, that they may glorify thy Father which is in heaven, until the shadows depart, and the eternal morning dawn upon thee.

Aspiratio.— O Dayspring, Brightness of the eternal Light, Sun of Righteousness, come and lighten those that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

GRATIARUM ACTIO

I.—Behold, with the eye of faith, Christ dwelling

within thee, the Light of them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death; and behold thyself as one blind, coming to him with the prayer of blind Bartimaeus: 'Lord, that I may receive my sight.'

II.—Rejoice in his appearing, as the traveller in darkness and danger rejoices in the opening day.

III.—Seek from him grace to look not at those things which are seen, but at those which are not seen, for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things not seen are eternal.

Aspiratio.—I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him, even as they that watch for the morning.

VI

CHRISTUS

Amor meus, crucifixus

Praeparatio

I.—*Quis venit?* Christ, a Man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief, who was bruised for our iniquities, and laden with our transgressions, that by his stripes we might be healed.

II.—*Ad quem venit?* To thee who hast betrayed him by thy sins, who hast often crucified him afresh by thine iniquity, and put him to open shame.

III.—*Ad quid venit?* That thou mayst learn not to glory save in the cross of thy Lord, by whom the world is crucified unto thee, and thou unto the world, that thou mayst bear about thee the dying of thy Lord, and his life may be made manifest in thee.

Aspiratio.— Until the day break and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.

Gratiarum Actio

I.—Behold, with the eye of faith, Christ within thine heart, seeking in thee the reward of a love stronger than death. Behold in thyself the ungrateful servant, who by thy sin didst crucify him, and by thy ingratitude yet denest him.

II.—Strive to render him love such as the ma

tyrs bore, that thou mayst say with them, 'What shall separate us from the love of Christ — tribulation or anguish, fire or sword?'

III.—Pray him that, suffering with him here, thou mayst reign with him hereafter.

Aspiratio.—O Jesus, my Lord, crucified for me, teach me to crucify the flesh with its affections and lusts.

VII

CHRISTUS

Rex aeternae Gloriae

Praeparatio

I.—*Quis venit?* Christ, the King of eternal glory, who hath on his vestment, and on his thigh, this Name written, King of kings, and Lord of lords.

II.—*Ad quem venit?* To his debtor, owing ten thousand talents, yet not having one farthing wherewith to pay the debt.

III.—*Ad quid venit?* Not that he may sell all that thou hast, and cast thee into prison, till thou pay the uttermost farthing; but that he may give thee more even than thou owest, his Body and his Blood.

Aspiratio.—Rejoice, O daughter of Sion; behold thy King cometh unto thee, just, and having salvation.

Gratiarum Actio

I.—Behold Christ, thy King, making thy heart his throne; behold thyself, a miserable debtor, imploring and finding mercy.

II.—Resolve in love to yield to him all that thou hast—thy will, thy intellect, and thy whole energies to his service.

III. — Seek from him grace to conquer all thy ghostly foes, and to yield thyself soul and body to be a willing sacrifice to him, all the days of thy life.

Aspiratio.—I will lift up mine eyes to the hills, from whence cometh my help; my help cometh even from the Lord, who hath made heaven and earth.

THREE MEDITATIONS AFTER COMMUNION

I

'Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?'

REMEMBER, my soul, where thou hast been, and what thou hast been doing. Thou hast been with the Lord of life, and before God, angels, and men thou hast acknowledged him, and devoted thyself to his obedience.

Remember that there may be but a few days before thou mayst appear at the tribunal of him who hath now entertained thee at his table. The next sight thou mayst have of him may be upon his throne, as one that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.

With what affection has the death of the Lord been now remembered? Hast thou as sincerely renounced all thy evil ways, and consecrated thyself to the life of Christ, as thou hopest to be saved? It concerns me nearly, O my soul, to keep him ever in my thoughts, and to express him in my life; that when he comes he may see himself in me, and behold his own image in righteousness and true holiness fairly engraven in my heart. For many will say unto him at that day, 'Lord, we have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets'; but he will say, 'I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.'

From Bishop Patrick.

II

'And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the Mount of Olives.'

CONSIDER, my soul, the Apostles and their Lord in the holy supper

room after the first communion. Judas had gone out, and the voices of Jesus and the eleven were raised sweetly in thanksgiving to God. Before him and before them was the fearful trial of the night and the morrow, nevertheless the voice of praise was raised to God.

Thou hast received the same blessed sacrament. Thou art about to go forth into the world; hast thou raised the voice of thanksgiving to thy God?

There are many who take great pains to prepare themselves beforehand to receive the mighty Guest, but who take little pains to entertain him when he has come unto them—who render scant thanks for his exceeding love, and forget him who dwelleth in them. Art thou one of these?

Ten lepers were cleansed by our Lord; one only returned to give him thanks. Thy sinful body has been made clean by his Body. Art thou of the nine?

Examine thyself, O my soul; what love, what thanksgiving, does this mighty gift deserve! Lo, he dwelleth in thee; hold sweet converse with him; present to him all thy passions subdued to his will; offer him thyself, to be his servant for ever. Such should be thy sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

III

'And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the Mount of God.'

CONSIDER, my soul, how Elijah, fleeing from persecution, lay down under the juniper tree; how the angel roused him to eat of the bread and to drink of the cup mysteriously prepared; how for forty days and forty nights he trod the desert, without other food, until he reached the Mount of God.

So, my soul, for thee, wearied with the storms and persecutions of this world, God has prepared mysterious Food—the living Bread from heaven—and thou hast eaten.

And now thou hast to go forth through the desert of this world unto the Mount of God, but not like Elijah to the mount which burned with fire, to the

blackness and darkness, to the voice at which Israel exceedingly feared and quaked.

But thou hast to go forth to the Mount Sion, to the city of the living God, to the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus the Mediator of the New Covenant.

And in the strength of that meat thou mayest go forth. Stronger is he that dwelleth in thee than he that is against thee. Thou wilt meet the heat of the day, but he is the Rock which giveth shelter in a weary land, and in his shade the fires of lust and strife burn not. Thou wilt meet perils by the way, but he can guard thee. O trust in him, and when the forty days and nights—the time of thy earthly pilgrimage — are accomplished, thou wilt attain that holy hill and that dwelling to which his light and his truth now lead thee. He that endureth to the end, the same shall be saved.

EUCHARISTIC COLLECTS

I

O ALMIGHTY God, who in the midst of thine earthly Paradise didst set the tree of life, and who in thy Church hast provided that the living Bread, the Bread of life, should be broken in plenty ; Grant that this heavenly nourishment may not be unto us for judgement and condemnation, but for the preservation of our bodies and souls unto everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

II

O ALMIGHTY God, who didst cause the destroying angel to spare thy people whose doorposts were sprinkled with the blood of the paschal lamb ; Grant, of thy mercy, that the doors of my lips, which have received the sacrament of the Body and Blood of thy dear Son, may be kept by thy mighty power, that so all my words may be directed to thy glory ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

III

O GOD, who feedest us thy children with the true Manna, the living Bread from heaven ; Grant, I beseech thee, that this precious Food may be our support throughout our earthly pilgrimage, until we reach that land where is neither hunger nor thirst; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

IV

O GOD, who through the ministry of thy holy angels didst so marvellously refresh Elijah in the desert, that he went in the strength of that meat

unto Horeb, the Mount of God; Grant unto us, whom thou dost marvellously refresh with the Body and Blood of thy dear Son, that we may pass safely through the temptations and trials of this desert, the world, until we come to thy holy hill and to thy dwelling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V

O GOD, who hast given to us the true Bread from heaven, that a man may eat thereof and not die; Grant us, we beseech thee, so worthily to receive it, that we may be partakers of the resurrection unto eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

VI

O LORD Jesus, Light unfailing, who hast come down from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance; Grant to us, by these mysteries, that, the eyes of our understanding being enlightened, we may know the way of life, and walk therein without stumbling; who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

SECTION V

The Sacrament of Penance

DE SACRAMENTO POENITENTIAE

I

UT sanctum Poenitentiae Sacramentum ad eos qui post baptismum lapsi sunt, in gratia Dei restituendos a Christo Domino institutum, rite administretur ; imprimis meminerit Confessarius se iudicis pariter et medici personam sustinere, atque adeo, ut recte iudicare queat, discernens inter lepram et lepram, et tanquam peritus medicus animarum morbos prudenter curare, et apta cuique remedia applicare sciat, quantum potest maximam ad id scientiam atque prudentiam, tum assiduis ad Deum precibus, tum ex probatis auctoribus, studeat sibi comparare.

II

Sacerdos ad audiendam confessionem vocatus, promptum facilemque se praebeat : ac priusquam ad audiendum accedat, si tempus suppetat, ad hoc ministerium recte sancteque obeundum, divinum auxilium piis precibus implorabit.

III

In ecclesia, non autem in privatis aedibus, confessiones audiat, nisi ex causa rationabili, quae cum inciderit, studeat tamen id decenti et patenti loco praestare. Superpelliceo et stola violacei coloris utatur, prout tempus, vel locorum feret consuetudo.

IV

Si poenitens ignotus sit, de illius statu inquirat ; et quampridem sit confessus : et an impositam poenitentiam adimpleverit. Item num rite atque integre alias confessus fuerit; num

in doctrina Christiana benesit institutus; num conscientiam suam, ut debet, prius diligenter discusserit? Sed haec et similia, in fine potius confessionis, quam in initio, plerumque interrogare expediet.

V

Si deprehenderit poenitentem ignorare Christianae fidei rudimenta; si tempus suppetat, eum breviter instruat de articulis fidei, et aliis ad salutem cognitu necessariis, et ignorantiam eius corripiat, illumque admoneat ut ea postmodum diligentius addiscat.

VI

Audiat patienter confitentem, et adiuvet, quotiescumque opus fuerit, nec unquam interpellet, nisi opus fuerit aliquid melius intelligere. Sed fiduciam ei praebeat et humaniter suggerat, ut omnia peccata sua rite et integre confiteatur, remota stulta illa quorundam verecundia, qua praepediti, suadente diabolo, peccata sua confiteri non audent.

VII

Si poenitens numerum et species et circumstantias peccatorum explicatu necessarias non expresserit, eum sacerdos prudenter interroget. Et si, attentis personae circumstantiis, rationabiliter metuat aut dubitet, ne forte non sit integra eius confessio, de illis prudenter examinet, quae a poenitente suspicatur reticeri, praesertim de peccatis sui status; maxime si de illis nullatenus se accuset.

VIII

Sed caveat ne curiosis aut inutilibus interrogationibus quemquam detineat, praesertim iuniores utriusque sexus, aut de iis quae ignorant imprudenter interroget, ne scandalum patiantur, indeque peccare discant.

IX

Demum, audita confessione, pro peccatorum gravitate et qualitate, ac poenitentis conditione, opportunas correptiones ac monitiones, prout opus esse viderit, paterna chari-

tate adhibebit, et ad dolorem ac contritionem efficacibus verbis adducere conabitur, atque ad vitam emendandam ac melius instituendam inducet, remediaque peccatorum tradet.

X

Postremo salutarem et convenientem satisfactionem, quantum spiritus et prudentia suggesserint, iniungat, habita ratione status, conditionis, sexus, aetatis et etiam dispositionis poenitentium. Videatque ne pro peccatis gravibus levissimas poenitentias imponat, ne, si forte peccatis conniveat, alienorum peccatorum particeps efficiatur. Id vero ante oculos habeat, ut satisfactio non sit tantum ad novae vitae custodiam, et infirmitatis medicamentum, sed etiam ad praeteritorum peccatorum castigationem.

XI

Curet autem quantum fieri potest ut contrarias peccatis poenitentias, iniungat; veluti avaris eleemosynas, libidinosis ieiunia et alias carnis afflictiones, superbis humilitatis officia, desidiosis devotionis studia. Ea denique singulis praescribat, quibus eos sperat a peccatis suis efficaciter retrahendos; praesertim vero orationis praecipue mentalis, et lectionis sacrae quotidianum exercitium, et sacramentorum dignam frequentationem. Caeterum pro peccatis occultis, quantumvis gravibus, manifestam poenitentiam nunquam imponat.

XII

Videat autem diligenter Sacerdos, quando, et quibus conferenda vel neganda vel differenda sit absolutio; ut rite dispositis regulariter conferat; deneget indispositis: quales censendi sunt qui nulla dant signa doloris, qui odia et inimicitias deponere, aut aliena, si possunt, restituere, aut proximam peccandi occasionem deserere, aut alio modo peccata derelinquere, et vitam in melius emendare, nolunt: aut qui publicum scandalum dederunt, nisi

publice satisfaciant, et scandalum tollant.

XIII

Inter dubie dispositos etiam consuetudinarii communiter numerandi sunt ; quibus proinde extra casum necessitatis, absque notabili emendatione, absolutio communiter impendenda non est: praesertim si fidem antea datam non semel fefellerint.

XIV

Meminerit porro Sacerdos aegris non esse injungendam gravem aut laboriosam poenitentiam, sed indicendam tantum illam, quam, si convaluerint, opportuno tempore peragant. Interim iuxta gravitatem morbi, aliqua oratione aut levi satisfactione imposita et acceptata, absolvantur, prout opus fuerit.

XV

Denique praeter bonitatem, scientiam atque prudentiam in confessione requisitam, necessarium quoque est ut sigillum secretae confessionis sub exacto perpetuoque silentio inviolatum conservet ; atque adeo nihil unquam dicat vel faciat, quod vel directe vel indirecte tendat ad revelationem alicuius peccati vel defectus ex sola confessione cogniti. Sed neque scientia ex confessione acquisita unquam uti praesumat, cum gravamine poenitentis vel eius periculo ; neque de peccatis in confessione auditis, ne generaliter quidem loquatur, nisi postulet necessitas ; et tunc discrete et cum magna prudentia, ut nulla de personis vel levis, oriri possit suspicio ; nec unquam coram laicis, ne forte scandalum patiantur.

DE CONFESSIONUM AUDITIONE

The Master. *

THOU hast received the Holy Ghost, O my son, and hast been called to the office and work of a priest in my Church, that thou mayst bind and loose, mayst remit or retain sins in my Name.

Behold, I have made thee my ambassador, an office angels might dread to fill. What need then that thou, who art flesh, shouldst humble thyself, lest, where others have fallen, thou too mayst fall !

Not the diseases which kill the body, but those which destroy both body and soul in hell, are thine to cure. How then should the lips of the physician keep knowledge !

Not the contentions of men and violations of human laws only, but those which offend my everlasting statutes, and break my commandments, are submitted to thy judgement. What need hast thou then of the guidance of the Spirit of Truth !

Thou mayst indeed seek knowledge from books, which holy men of old, moved by my Spirit, have written : but prudence, mercy, and justice, with the discerning of spirits, must be sought by fervent prayer.

Lay not up thy talent in a napkin, and omit not to exercise thy ministry through fear, lest thou share the fate of the unprofitable servant : having the power of ministering grace, see that thou fulfil that good thing entrusted to thee through the laying on of hands.

Labour while yet it is day, ere the night of death cometh ; yield not thyself to sloth, for I was in labours and sorrows from

* Adapted in part from Arvisenet.

my youth, and it is good for the servant that he be as his Master. Thou mayst consume years in my service, but I poured forth my precious blood for thee.

This labour is not indeed of joy, but of sorrow; but it afterwards yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness to them that are exercised thereby.

Yet they that sow in tears shall reap in joy when the lost sheep are found, and brought back rejoicing, where there is joy amongst the angels of heaven because the unclean are made clean, the unjust just: enemies are reconciled, and sinners brought near to God.

Thus, O my son, shalt thou be with thy sheep at last, when I, the Great Shepherd, shall lead them forth to fountains of living waters, where the storms of earth rage not, but eternal peace endureth.

O son of mine, to thee have I committed the flock for whom I gave my life; neglect them not, lest at the last day they accuse thee, saying, We perished because there was none to cast us into the pool, the fountain for sin and uncleanness, the Bethesda of the heavenly Zion, the new Jerusalem.

The Disciple.

Alas, Lord, who is sufficient for these things? I know that in me, that is in my flesh, dwelleth no good thing, but that I can do all if thou but strengthen me. Pour, therefore, into my heart the sevenfold gifts of thy Holy Spirit, of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and ghostly strength, of knowledge and true godliness and of thy holy fear.

Lord, I confess that I am thy most unworthy servant; that thou hast called me, a sinner, to minister unto sinners, a leper to cleanse lepers, sick to heal the sick, oppressed with the burden of my own sins to relieve others of the burden they likewise bear.

Lord, thou hast bidden me to absolve in thy Name,—me, a miserable sinner, far more oppressed with my load of guilt than those who seek the grace

thou hast committed to me to dispense.

O Lord Jesus, hadst thou not called, who would dare to run? hadst thou not thus bidden me, how should I dare to say to my fellow-sinner, I absolve thee? but I know, O Lord, and from my heart confess, that I am indeed as clay in thy hands, an unworthy vessel, although filled with thy power; needing myself the abundance of thy mercy, lest after ministering to others I myself should become a castaway.

O Lord and Master, Saviour of sinners, look upon me in thy mercy, strengthen me with thy grace, and make me to feel that there is none other name given under heaven whereby we must be saved, but thine, O Friend of sinners, of whom I am chief.

The Master.

Be of good cheer, my son; come unto me, for thou art weary and heavy laden. I will give thee strength to labour, I will crown my own grace, where my redeemed sing the new song of redemption through my blood; labour for one moment, and I will reward that labour with eternal joy.

Prayers before hearing Confessions

O GOD, who by thy Holy Spirit perfectest the elect, pour thy heavenly light into the hearts of these thy penitent servants, that they may know and acknowledge all their sins against thee, and, confessing and forsaking them, may obtain mercy. And upon me, thy ministering servant, bestow thy grace, that I may rightly heal that which is broken, and bind up that which is wounded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O GOD, give me wisdom that sitteth by thy throne, that I may judge thy people according to right. Make me so to use the power of the keys that I may open to none to whom I ought to shut, nor shut to any to whom I ought to open. Give me a pure intention,

sincere zeal, patient charity, and such diligence as shall not be in vain. Make me gentle, and at the same time faithful, that I may neither despise the poor, nor pay court to the rich. Impart to me wisdom to turn sinners from the evil of their ways, to strengthen them in what is good, and to aid them to advance continually from grace to grace. Enlighten me to advise aright in difficult cases; suffer me not to be harmed by the evil I may hear; and grant that, in seeking to save others, I may not fail of salvation myself; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After hearing Confessions

O LORD God, who willest not the death of a sinner, but that he should be converted and live, have regard to the sacrifice of a troubled spirit, a broken and contrite heart, offered to thee by *this penitent*, promising to keep hereafter the judgements of thy righteousness. Strengthen that which thou hast wrought in us, loosing in heaven what in thy Name we have loosed on earth, and perfecting more and more in the fear and love of thee the sanctification of *him* whom the Good Shepherd hath sought in *his* wanderings, and laid on his shoulders, and brought back rejoicing. Let not *his* last state, through the return of the devil, be worse than the first, but make *him* to walk henceforth in newness of life. Forgive me also, O Lord, all the failings and imperfections of which I have now been guilty. Grant that what I have heard may not be to me the occasion of sin, but that considering myself, seeing that I am compassed with infirmity, I may ever watch unto prayer, that I fall not into temptation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O LORD Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, accept this my ministry of service with that exceeding great love wherewith thou didst absolve blessed Mary Magdalene and all

sinners who fled unto thee, and whatsoever I may have done carelessly or amiss in this ministry of reconciliation, do thou in thy goodness ratify and correct, that no harm to others may ensue through my negligence. I commend to thy love all and each who have now confessed unto me, beseeching thee to keep them from backsliding, and after the warfare of this life, to crown them with everlasting glory. Amen.

BE present, O Lord, with our supplications, and graciously hear me, who am the first to need thy mercy; and also grant unto me, whom not for mine own merit, but of thy grace, thou hast appointed minister of this work, faithfulness in executing my commission; and do thou through my ministry perform that which cometh only of thy goodness; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sarum Encheiridion.

THE FORM OF CONFESSION

The priest should wear a surplice and purple stole.

Penitent. Father, give me thy blessing.

Priest. The Lord be in thy heart and on thy lips that thou mayest truly and humbly confess thy sins, in the Name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then let the penitent make his confession.

Penitent. I confess to God Almighty and to thee, my father, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault.*

[Since my last confession] I accuse myself of having . . .

(*Here follows the particular confession.*)

For these and all my other sins which I cannot now remember, I am heartily sorry, purpose amendment for the future, and humbly ask pardon of God, and penance and absolution of thee, my father: therefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy upon me, and thee, father, to pray to the Lord our God for me. Amen.

Here let such counsel as is necessary be given, and the penance be given and accepted.

Then shall the priest say:

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life. Amen.

Then with his right hand raised towards the penitent:

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant to thee pardon, absolution, and remission of thy sins. Amen.

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, who hath left power to his Church to absolve

* For alternative forms see pp. 34, 44, 420.

all sinners who truly repent and believe in him, of his great mercy forgive thee thine offences :

And by his authority committed unto me, I absolve thee from all thy sins, in the Name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, the merits of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints, whatsoever good thou hast done or evil thou hast suffered, be to thee for the remission of sins, the increase of grace, and the reward of eternal life. Amen.

PENITENTIAL PRAYERS*

WHICH MAY BE USED WHEN PREPARING FOR CONFESSION AND AT OTHER TIMES

I

From the Sarum Encheiridion.

MAKER of heaven and earth, King of kings, and Lord of lords, who hast made me out of nothing, after thine own image, and redeemed me with thy precious blood, whom I, a sinner, am not worthy to name, nor to call upon, nor to think of; I humbly beseech thee that thou wouldest mercifully look upon me and pity me, as thou didst pity the Canaanitish woman and Mary Magdalene, the publican, and the thief hanging on the cross. To thee, O most merciful Saviour, I confess my sins, which, if I desired, I could not hide from thee, O Lord. Much have I offended thee in pride, in avarice, gluttony, luxury, in vainglory, hatred, impurity, in dishonesty, in impiety, in jesting, laughter, idle words, and in all the ways in which I have been tempted to sin, of my own fault, my very great fault. Wherefore, I beseech thy mercy, who camest down from heaven for my salvation, who didst raise up David from his fall, who sparedst Peter though he denied thee, spare me, O Lord, spare me, O Christ. Thou art my Creator, my Redeemer, my Governor, and my Father, my hope, my confidence, my guide, my consolation, my strength, and my deliverance, my life, and my salvation. I beseech thee, help and defend me, strengthen and comfort me, enlighten and visit me. Raise me up, who am dead, for I am thy work.

* For the Penitential Psalms see p. 214.

Despise me not, O Lord : I am thy servant, a sinner though I am. To whom shall I flee, unless I go to thee ? If thou cast me out, who will receive me ? If thou despise me, who will regard me ? Acknowledge me, then, who fly to thee for refuge, vile and unclean though I am, for thou canst cleanse me : though blind, thou canst enlighten me : though sick, thou canst heal me : though dead and buried, thou canst quicken me : for thy mercy is greater than my iniquity ; thy pity is greater than my impiety. Thou canst forgive more than I can commit, and spare more than I can sin. Regard not, therefore, O Lord, the multitude of my iniquities, but according to thy compassion have mercy upon me, a most miserable sinner. Say unto my soul, I am thy salvation, thou who hast said, I would not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live. Convert me, O Lord, and be not angry with me, I entreat thee, but graciously bring me to a good end, to true penitence, to a pure confession, and to entire amends for all my sins. Amen.

II

The Prayer of Manasses, King of Judah, when he was holden captive in Babylon.

O LORD, Almighty God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and of their righteous seed ; who hast made heaven and earth, with all the ornament thereof ; who hast bound the sea by the word of thy commandment ; who hast shut up the deep and sealed it by thy terrible and glorious Name : whom all men fear, and tremble before thy power ; for the majesty of thy glory cannot be borne, and thine angry threatening towards sinners is insupportable ; but thy merciful promise is unmeasurable and unsearchable ; for thou art the most high Lord, of great compassion, long-suffering, very merciful, and repentest of the evils of men. Thou, O Lord, according to thy great good-

ness hast appointed repentance and forgiveness to them that have sinned against thee ; and of thine infinite mercies hast appointed repentance unto sinners, that they may be saved. Thou therefore, O Lord, that art the God of the just, hast not appointed repentance to the just, as to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, which have not sinned against thee ; but thou hast appointed repentance unto me that am a sinner : for I have sinned above the number of the sands of the sea. My transgressions, O Lord, are multiplied : my transgressions are multiplied, and I am not worthy to behold and see the height of heaven for the multitude of mine iniquities. I am bowed down with many iron bands, that I cannot lift up mine head, neither have any release : for I have provoked thy wrath, and done evil before thee : I did not thy will, neither kept I thy commandments : I have set up abominations, and have multiplied offences. Now, therefore, I bow the knee of mine heart, beseeching thee for grace. I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, and I acknowledge mine iniquities : wherefore, I humbly beseech thee, forgive me, O Lord, forgive me, and destroy me not with mine iniquities. Be not angry with me for ever by reserving evil for me : neither condemn me into the lower parts of the earth. For thou art the God, even the God of them that repent ; and in me thou wilt shew all thy goodness : for thou wilt save me, that am unworthy, according to thy great mercy. Therefore I will praise thee for ever all the days of my life : for all the powers of the heavens do praise thee, and thine is the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

III

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, look down upon me, thy unworthy servant, not as I am in myself, but through the mediation and in the merits of Jesus Christ, in whom thou art well pleased ; for of myself I am

not worthy to come before thee, or with my unclean lips to speak to thee, O most holy and eternal God. For as in sin I was conceived and born, so likewise I have broken all thy commandments by my sinful feelings, unclean thoughts, idle words, and wicked works, omitting many duties I ought to have done, and giving way to many vices which thou hast forbidden under pain of thy heavy displeasure. My sins, O Lord, are innumerable, so that if thou shouldest deal with me according to my deserts, I am liable to all the miseries of this life, and to everlasting torments in that which is to come. It is of thy mercy, which endureth for ever, and thy unfailing compassion that I have not been long ago consumed. Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord, neither be extreme to mark what I have done amiss, and wash away all my sins in that precious blood, which my Saviour shed for me. And I beseech thee to purify my heart, by thy Holy Spirit, from its natural corruption: and as thou dost add days to my life, so, good Lord, add repentance to my days, that when I have passed this mortal life, I may share in thy everlasting kingdom, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

IV

BLESSED and holy Lord God, who wouldst not that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance, be merciful to me, a guilty sinner, who have long neglected my duty to thee, and the work of my own salvation. I have provoked thy Divine Majesty by a long course of sin, for which thou mightest most justly have cut me off. But blessed be thy Name for the patience and long-suffering thou hast exercised towards me. Suffer it not to be in vain, but so convince me of the evil of my ways, that I may repent and abhor myself in dust and ashes. Do not thou abhor me, O Lord, nor shut up thy bowels of compassion from me; but behold me as one

for whom Christ died; as a penitent, heartily grieved for my past disobedience, and earnestly desirous both of thy pardon, and of grace to walk hereafter in holiness. Help me to renounce all my sins, even those in which I have taken most pleasure, and earnestly to endeavour to be upright and unblameable in all manner of conversation. Turn thou me, good Lord, and so shall I be turned; turn me from all my iniquities, and make me to serve thee acceptably, with reverence and godly fear. Make me truly penitent for all my past undutifulness to thee; loose me from the bonds of my sins, and grant that, denying all ungodliness and worldly lusts, I may attain to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V

Upon a Relapse into Sin

O LORD God Almighty, Sovereign of the universe, on whom is all my dependence and all my hope, I am ashamed and blush to appear before thee, seeing I have so highly offended thy Divine Majesty. My conscience accuses me, my heart condemns me, and thou, who art greater than my heart and knowest all things, mightest justly stop thine ears when in the anguish of my soul I cry unto thee. I have sinned against heaven and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. I have sinned against the light of thy Gospel, and thine infinite love for me; against the terrors of thy threatenings, the attractions of thy mercy, the rebukes of thy Spirit and the warnings of my own conscience, and against my most solemn vows and engagements. Yet my sin is not too great for thee to pardon, or to deliver me from, that I fall into it no more. If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean: therefore the more my sinfulness has abounded, the more let thy grace and loving-kindness abound. Absolve me from the guilt, deliver me from the power, cleanse me from the pollution, save me from the punishment, of this

and all my other offences ; reconcile me to thyself here, and crown me with immortal glory hereafter ; through Jesus Christ thy Son, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

VI

For Repentance

O ALMIGHTY God, who art plenteous in mercy and compassion, and hast promised forgiveness to all who turn to thee, have pity upon me, and grant me the grace of true repentance for my many and grievous sins. I have not done thy will, nor kept thy commandments, but have broken thy laws and despised thy goodness. Spare me, O Lord, for thy mercy's sake : deliver me from the snares of the devil : pardon all my sins, voluntary and involuntary : and make me so to grieve for them that I may hate them : restrain my unruly passions with thy holy fear : preserve me from all impure thoughts, all wicked words, and all unlawful deeds : cleanse me from all filthiness of flesh and spirit, and keep me ever in the unity of thy holy Church. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for thou knowest whereof I am made : wean me from this world : deliver me from all temptations, and so strengthen me with thy Holy Spirit that I may never fall or be shaken again, but be made worthy of thy adoption, and a partaker of eternal life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

VII

For Contrition

O HOLY Lord, who mercifully receivest all true penitents, but art a consuming fire to obstinate sinners, how shall I approach thee, who have so many grievous sins to excite thy wrath, and so little repentance to incline thy mercy. Oh, be thou pleased to melt my obdurate heart, that I may sincerely bewail my past offences. My soul hath too long slept in sin : Lord, awaken it, though it be with thunder, and let me rather feel thy ter-

rors than not feel my sin. Thou sentest thy blessed Son to heal the broken-hearted : but, Lord, what will that avail me, if my heart be whole ? Break it, therefore, that I may be prepared for his healing power : and grant that, having tasted the bitterness of sin, I may henceforth flee from it as from the face of a serpent, and bring forth fruits of repentance in amendment of life, to the praise and glory of thy grace in Jesus Christ, our blessed Redeemer. Amen.

VIII

Abridged from Bishop Andrewes.

O LORD, look down upon me, the chiefest of sinners. And what shall I now say ? I will recount my sins unto thee, in the bitterness of my soul. Oh, that it may be in its most exceeding bitterness ! By all thy mercy, O Lord, let thy most righteous indignation be turned away from me, though I have sinned, and that grievously.

O Father of mercies, I beseech thy fatherly loving-kindness, despise me not ; but rather regard me as thou didst regard Magdalene at the feast, Peter in the hall, the thief on the cross ; that with Peter I may bitterly weep, with the thief I may confess, with Magdalene may love, yea love much, since I have so many sins to be forgiven. Spare me, O Lord ; spare me, a penitent, at least desiring to be a penitent and preparing thereto, recollecting my sins with grief, indignant with myself concerning them, and laying hold of thy most bitter passion. Spare me, O Lord, have mercy, because it is not difficult to thy power, nor unbefitting thy justice, nor unusual to thy goodness !

I am unworthy to call upon thy Name, and yet relying on thy goodness I would return to thee, asking for nothing but what thou hast bestowed often and most willingly ; what unless thou didst bestow again and again, none could stand. Have mercy, then, on me, a sinner, the greatest of sinners, and therefore needing the

greatest mercy. And thy mercy is the greatest: it reaches to the heaven above; it sets free from the lowest hell. Magnify thy mercy to me; if thou seek to glorify it infinitely, extend it to me: at no time, in no place, hath it been, will it be, more glorious in the pardon of a sinner.

To thee, O Lord, I confess my many, great, and heinous sins, which, if I would, I cannot conceal. I can sin much: I cannot repent much. My dryness! my dryness! woe unto me! O Lord, supply the sorrow that I have not: give me a contrite heart, unutterable groanings.

Extend thy mercy to seventy times seven. That measure of forgiveness thou hast enjoined to us: and wilt thou not practise the same thyself? Yea, and much more: for thy mercy surpasses ours, as far as thyself surpassest us. Trusting, then, in thy mercy, I say again and again, God be merciful to me a sinner, a most wretched sinner, the chief of sinners, O thou, to whom prayer can never be made without a hope of pardon.

And who will give me more to lament my sin? I would do so, were it in my power, but it is not. It is in my power to know what I ought, to wish that I did. To will is present with me, but how to perform that which is good, I find not.

Do thou, O Lord, give me power. If thou wilt, thou canst. Thou canst turn even the hard rock into a pool. Give tears, a fountain of tears, to my head. Let the heavens drop down from above, and bedew the dryness of my heart. Give me, O Lord, this grace. At least give me a dropping eye: let me not be altogether a flint. If I may not water my couch, like David, nor wash thy feet, like Magdalene, weep bitterly as Peter, plentifully as Jeremiah (and yet, oh, that it might be even thus!) give, at least, one or two little tears, which thou mayest put into thy bottle, and write in thy book. Above all, give me of thine own tears which

thou didst shed plentifully in the days of thy flesh. Bestow on me from that store, for therein is superfluity for my deficiency. Amen.

IX

A Prayer of St. Augustine

[*In times when tempted to despair of forgiveness.*]

I HAVE sinned, O Lord, against thee and in thy sight. The multitude of my offences crieth for judgement against me: yet, O Lord, thou hast promised that, where sin hath abounded, grace shall yet more abound. And thy promise forbids me to despair, for he who despairs of pardon denies thee to be a God of mercy. The multitude of my offences abaseth me to the dust, but the thought of thy most pitiful passion raiseth me; the nails and spear cry aloud that thou hast reconciled me by thy blood. The soldier opened thy wounded side, wherein, as in a cleft of the Rock of Ages, I hide myself from the foe and rest secure. Thou inclinest thy head, O crucified Love, even in death as if to greet me; thou openest thy arms as if to embrace me. In that embrace I am willing to live, yet fain would die. Amen.

X

The Cry of the Returning Prodigal

FATHER, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. I have ministered to my own desires and lusts, filling my belly with the husks the swine do eat, despising thy fatherly love; I have made for myself broken cisterns which hold no water, cisterns of earthly joys and vanities, leaving thee, the Fountain of living waters: I have sought that pleasure in creatures which is only to be found in thee: and now behold all is vanity and vexation of spirit, for thou hast made me for thyself, and my heart findeth no true rest apart from thee.

Wherefore I return to

thee, my loving Father, whose mercy is infinite, whose goodness knoweth no end. Therefore I cry, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son : make me as one of thy hired servants.

O restore to me the best robe of thy grace, which I have lost by my sins : the ring betokening thy love, which I forfeited for the love of the creature : the shoes wherewith I may walk in the straight path and narrow way that leadeth unto eternal life : that thus I may sit down at thy banquet, where, with thy Son and the Holy Spirit, thou art unclouded light and perfect joy : through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

XI

After the Example of St. Peter

TO thee, O Incarnate Son, a suppliant I return, I who have denied thee so often by my sins. But to whom shall I go save to thee ? if thou repellest, who will receive me ? if thou condemnest, who can pardon ? Fain would I never sin against thee any more, fain would I avoid all vices [*especially . . .*] ! alas ! how weak I am ! yet thy strength is made perfect in weakness.

I have sinned—I have denied thee like Peter ; fain would I weep like Peter also. Turn upon me those eyes of sacred compassion, which melted his heart ; and transform me also by the power of thy love.

Never was it known that sinner fled to thee and was rejected—that any implored thy mercy, and found it not.

In that mercy, greater than my iniquity, is all my hope ; thou canst, and wilt forgive ; O that thy sweet mercy may fill my heart with divine love—that with Peter I may cry aloud, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee ; and may shew forth that love in my life, by feeding and tending those sheep for which thou hast died, over whom thou hast made me the shepherd. Amen.

XII

After the Example of the Traveller who fell amongst thieves

ALAS ! miserable me ; who have descended from Jerusalem, the city of peace, to Jericho, the city of the world, seeking the vain delights of the world, and the seductions of the flesh : who thus have fallen into the hands of thieves, who have spoiled me of my garment of innocency, and my baptismal robe, and have left me, half dead, in trespasses and sins.

O Good Samaritan, turn thine eyes upon me, and have mercy upon me, wounded to death by my spiritual enemies.

Priest and Levite have passed by : the law came by Moses, but grace and truth and forgiveness by thee ; there is none other who can stretch out a hand to the sinner save thee.

O Lord Jesus, in thee is my hope ; thou hast borne my sins in thine own body on the Tree, pour into my wounds the wine of penitence, the oil of consolation, the saving smart, the healing balm. Lead me to ' the inn,' restore me to the unity of thy Church by the ministry of reconciliation—that thus converted, I may in turn strengthen my brethren.

This shall be the rest of my soul, here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein. Amen.

SELF-EXAMINATION

I

Before Self-Examination

*Veni, Creator.**

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart;

Thy blessèd unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight:

Anoint and cheer our soilèd face
With the abundance of thy grace;
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

O GOD of holiness, who art at all times disposed favourably to receive and to pardon a sinner, look down with an eye of mercy on me thy minister coming to thee to be cleansed from his stains in the blood of thy dear Son. Be thou in my mind that I may know all my sins, in my heart that I may sincerely detest them, and in my mouth that I may truly confess them, and obtain their pardon; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* See the Latin original on p. 296.

O HOLY Spirit, Fountain of all light, vouchsafe to pour thy beams into my soul, that I may have my sins as clearly before me as I shall see them when I stand to be judged before the tribunal of Jesus Christ. Teach me, O holy God, both the evil I have done, and that of which I have been the occasion. Make me to see, in its full extent, my unfaithfulness in thy service, and in the exercise of my spiritual functions. Make me to know how often and to what extent I have offended thee, the wrong which I have done to my neighbour and to myself, my omissions of duty and commissions of sin.

Suffer not, O God of Truth, the self-love wherewith I am possessed to hide from me my real condition. Take away the veil which it puts before my eyes, and let nothing hinder me from knowing, and from making known to him whom thou hast commissioned to act in thy Name, all my guilt.

II

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, who hast made me out of nothing, and redeemed me by the blood of thy dear Son, receive me returning like the prodigal to the home of my Father.

I am not worthy to be called thy son, yet thou willest still to be my Father; and thou callest me by the most sweet voice of thy dear Son our Lord to come unto thee that I may find rest for my soul.

But I have wandered long in a strange country; I have satisfied my appetite with the husks of carnal lusts and pleasures, and my mind, thereby darkened, prevents my making one step towards thee without the help of thy grace.

Assist me, therefore, by thy Holy Spirit; pour thy light into my heart; dispel the darkness, that I may see myself as I am seen by thee, thou who didst say, Let there be light, and there was light. Receive my prayer and hear my cry; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OUR Father.

O SAVIOUR of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed me : Save me and help me, I humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

I. Self-Examination

For use before ordinary confessions.

I. My daily prayers ? meditation ? preparation for mass and thanksgiving ? office ? spiritual reading ? daily examination of conscience ? first and last thoughts of the day ?

II. My rule of confession ? preparation for confession ? contrition ? amendment ?

III. Profit from my communions ? remembrance of them during the day ?

IV. Administration of sacraments : punctual ? exact ? edifying ?

V. Sermons ? care of children ? visiting in the parish ?

VI. Temperance : in food ? in drink ? in sleep ? in recreation ? charity ? envy ? detraction ? sharpness in rebuke ? chastity ? thought ? repelling first suggestions ? desire ? looks ? words ? deeds ?

VII. Have I kept my rule of life ?

VIII. What about my besetting sin ?

II. Self-Examination

For occasional use.

I. Have I a good rule of life, and am I faithful in keeping it ? *Qui regulae vivit, Deo vivit.* If I live without rule, I live by my own caprice : from morning till night my life is on the natural plane, and I am doing my own will instead of the will of God.

II. Do I arise early in the morning ? at a fixed time ? All the day depends on this. Do I always shave before I celebrate ? Do I sanctify my awaking by making the sign of the cross at once, and lifting up my heart to God ?

III. Do I carefully say my morning prayers ? Do I regularly make my meditation ? What time do I spend on this ? No priest should give less than twenty minutes every morning to his meditation.

IV. Do I say mass every morning when I can? For what reasons do I sometimes refrain from doing so? Do I carefully prepare? Do I begin exactly at the appointed time, and is the time such as suits my parishioners best? Am I strictly fasting when I celebrate? Do I celebrate always holy and clean, with a pure conscience, with piety and attention, without haste or dallying? Do I carefully observe the rubrics and read accurately the words of the rite? Am I careful never to speak without serious need in the sacristy?

After mass, do I spend at least fifteen minutes in thanksgiving?

V. Do I say Mattins and Evensong every day? Do I say the Divine Office worthily, attentively, devoutly, and completely? Do I read the psalter and the holy scriptures as being spiritual food for my soul?

VI. In the middle of the day, do I recollect myself in the presence of God? to recall my communion in the morning? to examine myself about my besetting sin?

VII. Have I been faithful in the performance of other religious exercises? the study of the Bible with prayer? spiritual reading? do I say the 'Angelus'? do I visit the Holy Sacrament? what time do I give to intercession?

VIII. Do I spend some time, perhaps an hour every evening, in my church? Do I examine my conscience at the end of every day? Do I compose myself to sleep with the sign of the cross and prayer? Do I go to bed in good time?

IX. Do I say grace before meals? Do I observe the fasts appointed by the Church?

X. Is my household such as befits a priest? Is all perfectly clean and well-ordered, and as well simple and frugal? Do I live in the continual practice of mortification, about food, drink, smoking, expenditure of money, etc.?

XI. What time do I waste in vain conversations, in useless visits, in frivolous amusements, in

light reading? Do I spend too much time in recreation? in my garden?

XII. Do I aim at offering to God all my actions? is my life dominated by supernatural motives? Do I remember that a priest is a man consecrated to God?

XIII. What is my relation to venial sin? To commit venial sin often, with deliberation and without remorse, is the surest sign of luke-warmness.

XIV. Do I repress the first movements of my passions? pride, vanity, sensuality, impatience, gluttony, sloth? Do I know my besetting sin, and do I set myself vigorously to fight it? Growth in grace means growth in self-conquest. *Tantum proficies quantum tibi ipsi vim intuleris.*

XV. Have I a real desire for my sanctification? *Beati qui esuriunt et sitiunt justitiam.*

XVI. Have I a strong and simple faith in God? in the holy Church? Do I endanger my faith by lightly reading infidel books?

XVII. Is there in my heart any undisciplined affection? for a particular person? for money? for promotion?

XVIII. Have I been guilty of uncharity towards my neighbour? Is there anything in my heart of what the sacred writer calls *radix amaritudinis* (*Heb.* xii. 15)? Have I the habit of speaking kindly of others? What are my relations towards other priests? towards the bishop?

XIX. Have I done my duty in relation to a priest suspected of wrongdoing? by warning him? by praying for him?

XX. Has my conduct in church been edifying? Or have I given scandal by looking about, by talking, by lounging in my seat, by crossing my legs when in choir?

XXI. Is my church and all the apparatus of worship perfectly clean and in perfect order? the vessels? the linen? the frontals? the font?

XXII. Is the blessed Sacrament reverently and safely reserved? the holy oil?

XXIII. Am I respectful towards my ecclesiastical superiors?

XXIV. Do I keep the spirit of order in all my affairs? Do I answer my letters at once? and pay my bills? Are all parish accounts for which I am responsible in perfect order? Am I tidy about my clothes, about my study, in the sacristy?

XXV. Have I done my duty about study? of the holy scriptures? of dogma? of moral and ascetic theology? Do I spend at least one hour daily in serious study? what first-rate books have I read during the past year?

XXVI. Have I done my duty about preaching? have I prepared carefully? have I tried to instruct my people in the whole of the faith? by careful arrangement of the subjects of my sermons?

XXVII. Have I been diligent in visiting? do I keep a list of the houses I visit, so as to ensure regularity in my visits?

XXVIII. If I have the opportunity, do I teach frequently and regularly in my school? have I done my duty about the religious training of the children? about the care of them after their first communion?

XXIX. Have I been diligent in hearing confessions? is the sacrament of penance very accessible to every one in my parish? have I tried to learn how to direct souls whom God is leading towards perfection? by reading such books on ascetic theology, etc., as would help me in this?

XXX. Have I made good use of the grace received in sacraments? What has been the result in my life of my communions? of my confessions? have I sometimes thought of a perfunctory confession as a substitute for amendment?

XXXI. Have I bravely borne witness against what is evil? e.g. birth-control?

XXXII. Have I administered the sacrament of baptism very reverently? with great care about saying the words? with great care that sufficient water shall be poured on the infant's forehead?

XXXIII. Have I made my will? If I were to die suddenly, would all my affairs be found in perfect order? *

I RESOLVE henceforth, O my God, by thy grace carefully to avoid sin, and specially those sins to which by habit, inclination, or weakness I have been most addicted; and, with them, those opportunities and occasions which have caused me to fall into them.

I have indeed grievously offended thee, but I would hope in thy mercy, through the merits and intercession of Jesus Christ my Saviour. In this hope, O God of goodness, I present myself at thy mercy-seat, in full assurance that, if I fully confess my sins with sincerity and humility, thou wilt confirm in heaven the absolution which shall be pronounced over me on earth. Amen.

From Bishop Andrewes.

HAVE I penitence, grief, shame, pain, horror, weariness, for my sin?

Do I pray, if not seven times, as David, yet at least thrice, as Daniel?

If not, as Solomon, at length, yet shortly, as the publican?

If not, like Christ, the whole night, at least for one hour?

If not on the ground, and in ashes, at least not in my bed?

If not in sackcloth, at least not in purple and fine linen?

If not altogether freed from all, at least from immoderate, desires?

Do I give, if not, as Zacchaeus, fourfold, at least, as the Law commands, with the fifth part added? (*Lev.* v. 16).

If not as the rich, yet as the widow?

If not the half, yet the thirtieth part?

If not above my power, yet up to my power?

The Aggravation of Sin

ITS measure, its harm, its scandal, its quality,
Its iteration, how often?
Its continuation, how long?
The person, my age, condi-

* This Examen is largely suggested by 'Avis et examen de conscience' par un vicaire général: Roger et Chernoviz: Paris.

tion, state, enlightenment?
Its manner, motive, time, place,
Folly, ingratitude, hardness, contempt,
Omission, or defect, the not doing what ought to be done;
Commission, or excess, the doing what ought not to be done:—
by heart, within, in thought:
by mouth, by deed, } with- { in word, out, } in fact.
Against God, my neighbour, my own body.
By knowledge and by ignorance.
Willingly and unwillingly.
Of old and of late.
In boyhood and youth; in mature and old age.
Things done once; repeated often.
Hidden and open.
Things done in anger, or from the lust of the flesh and the world.
Before and after my call.
Asleep by night, and awake by day.
Things concerning myself alone, and things connected with others.
Things remembered and things forgotten.

Whatever I may have done wrong, from my youth till now; till this moment, knowingly or ignorantly, within or without, asleep or awake, by words, deeds, or thoughts, through the fiery darts of the enemy, through the unclean desires of the flesh, I have sinned against thee; have mercy upon me, O God, and forgive me.

Prayers before Confession

I

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given power and commandment unto thy ministers to declare to thy people, being penitent, the forgiveness of their sins, to bind up that which is broken, and to heal that which is wounded; behold me, thine unworthy servant, desiring to confess my sins with all sincerity to thee, before thine appointed minister. Grant me grace to accept of that confusion of face which belongs to me, that I may not pass over my guilt

through fear or shame, but laying bare my wounds by a full and true confession, may receive the assurance of thy forgiving mercy ; through thy dear Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

II

O MOST blessed Lord and Saviour, who didst come to seek and save the lost, regard me, thine unworthy servant, according to thy great mercy, coming to lay the burden of my sins at the foot of thy cross ; receive me as thou didst receive the penitent Magdalene ; pardon me as thou didst pardon Peter, though he denied thee ; spare me as thou didst spare the penitent thief ; that my sins being washed away in thy blood, I may go and sin no more. Amen.

III

O GOD the Holy Ghost, pour thy bright beams of light into my heart, that I may know the sins I have committed against thee ; and, confessing and forsaking them, may obtain mercy. And upon thy ministering priest pour thy grace, that he may rightly bind up that which is broken, and heal that which is wounded. Amen.

IV

O MY God, grant me, I humbly beseech thee, not only a knowledge of my sins, but also a deep and lively sorrow for them, such as may overcome my natural inclinations, and turn them in direct opposition to whatever sinful habits I have hitherto indulged—a sorrow which may include all my sins, and especially those which I am most reluctant to acknowledge and confess ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V

PSALM LI

Miserere.

MISERERE mei, Deus : secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

Et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum : dele inquitatem meam.

Amplius lava me ab iniquitate mea : et a peccato meo munda me.

Quoniam iniquitatem meam ego cognosco : et peccatum meum contra me est semper.

Tibi soli peccavi, et malum coram te feci : ut iustificeris in sermonibus tuis, et vincas cum iudicaris.

Ecce enim in iniquitatibus conceptus sum : et in peccatis concepit me mater mea.

Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti : incerta et occulta sapientiae tuae manifestasti mihi.

Asperges me hyssopo, et mundabor : lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor.

Auditui meo dabis gaudium et laetitiam : et exsultabunt ossa humiliata.

Averte faciem tuam a peccatis meis : et omnes iniquitates meas dele.

Cor mundum crea in me, Deus : et spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis.

Ne proiicias me a facie tua : et Spiritum Sanctum tuum ne auferas a me.

Redde mihi laetitiam salutaris tui : et spiritu principali confirma me.

Docebo iniquos vias tuas : et impii ad te convertentur.

Libera me de sanguinibus, Deus, Deus salutis meae : et exsultabit lingua mea iustitiam tuam.

Domine, labia mea aperies : et os meum annuntiabit laudem tuam.

Quoniam si voluisses sacrificium, dedissem utique : holocaustis non delectaberis.

Sacrificium Deo spiritus contribulatus : cor contritum et humilitatum, Deus, non despicies.

Benigne fac, Domine, in bona voluntate tua Sion : ut aedificentur muri Ierusalem.

Tunc acceptabis sacrificium iustitiae, oblationes, et holocausta : tunc imponent super altare tuum vitulos.

Gloria Patri.

Devotions after Confession

Psalm ciii

Benedic, anima mea.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : and all that is within me praise his holy Name.

2 Praise the Lord, O my soul : and forget not all his benefits ;

3 Who forgiveth all thy sin : and healeth all thine infirmities ;

4 Who saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness ;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things : making thee young and lusty as an eagle.

6 The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement : for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

7 He shewed his ways unto Moses : his works unto the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not alway be chiding : neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins : nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth : so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12 Look how wide also the east is from the west : so far hath he set our sins from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children : even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth whereof we are made : he remembereth that we are but dust.

15 The days of man are but as grass : for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone : and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him : and his righteousness upon children's children ;

18 Even upon such as keep his covenant : and think upon his commandments to do them.

19 The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven : and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength : ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

21 O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion : praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

Glory be to the Father.

ACCEPT, O Almighty God, this my confession, and grant that it may be well-pleasing and acceptable in thy sight. Whatsoever has been wanting in the depth of my contrition, or the simplicity or fulness of my confession, do thou in thy love and pity supply, and, according to that love, ratify that message of forgiveness in heaven, which thy ministering priest hath pronounced on earth ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O LORD Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, who hast given thy life for thy sheep, I thank thee that thou hast sought me wandering from the fold ; I thank thee that thou hast brought me back upon thy shoulders ; I thank thee that thou hast saved me from that enemy who goeth about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour.

Thou hast washed me again in thy precious blood ; thou hast said to me, as thou saidst to the sick of the palsy, ' Son, be of good cheer, thy sins are forgiven thee.'

Mine, O Lord, is the joy, mine the eternal crown, and thine was the suffering, thine the agony and the shame : thy sacred head was crowned with thorns ; thy hands and feet pierced with cruel nails, thy sacred side with the spear, that I might live, that thou mightest purchase the pardon thou hast now bestowed upon me, that by thy stripes I might be healed.

O crucified Saviour, suffer me never more to crucify thee by my sins. O grant that I may die unto sin for the love of thee who hast died on the cross for me.

O Lord, I thank thee, but I cannot thank thee enough. Eternity alone will suffice to shew forth thy praise.

A Short Prayer after Confession

Bishop Andrewes.

O MY Saviour Christ, Christ my Saviour ! grant that I may die rather than again offend thee ! Christ my Saviour, O my Saviour ! Lord, let a new manner of life prove that a new spirit hath descended on me : for true penitence is true life : and true praise unremitted penitence, and the observation of a perpetual sabbath from sin, its occasions, fuel, and danger. For as penitence destroys old sins, so do new sins destroy penitence.

SECTION VI

Meditation

MEDITATION

Adapted from 'Brevis Orandi Methodus' by Father Busaeus, S.J.

MEDITATION, which some call mental prayer, is the solemn consideration of things divine: which bears its fruit in the love of God; the hatred of sin; and the contempt of the vain and transitory pleasures of this world.

In this exercise Christ with his Apostles passed sleepless nights in the deserts, and on the mountains: thus the Blessed Virgin pondered in her heart the sayings of her Divine Son: thus the great Apostle of the Gentiles prepared for his mighty work in the deserts of Arabia (*Gal.* i. 17), and thus, after his example, Basil, Jerome, Augustine, Benedict, Bernard, Francis, Dominic, and Ignatius attained to lives of heroic sanctity.

We meditate in many ways, without the formal meditation here proposed: when our hearts rise in praise, as we contemplate the glory of God in his works; when we read slowly a spiritual book, with pious affections and practical resolutions; when we contemplate with true devotion and love the image of the Crucified, or remain speechless but rapt in the presence of the Holy Eucharist.

But it is our purpose to speak of more formal meditation. Of such meditation there are four parts: (1) The Preparation; (2) The Representation; (3) The Consideration; (4) The Colloquy, or Petition.

I. *The Preparation* should be twofold: remote and immediate. *The Remote* is (1) to read over, the day before, the matter for meditation: (2) to recall it as soon as thou awakest in the morning: (3) to exclude all worldly thoughts

and cares—for meditation demands a quiet and tranquil mind. *The Immediate* is in beginning the meditation (1) to fortify thyself by the holy sign : (2) to place thyself in God's Presence by an act of faith and adoration : (3) to say the *Confiteor* humbly as an act to cleanse the heart from sin, since that is the great obstacle to communion with God : (4) to implore the aid of the Holy Spirit by the recitation of the *Veni, Creator*, or otherwise : (5) to persuade thyself firmly that thou art about to appear in the presence-chamber of God—before whom the angels sing 'Holy, Holy, Holy,' with adoring awe : (6) to seek grace from God to refer all thine actions to him (*Ps.* xix. 14).

II. *The Representation* is that whereby, before the consideration of the several points of the meditation, thou settest before thine eyes the place, the persons, and their actions, in the mystery thou hast chosen. Thus, if thou meditatest upon the Passion, imagine that thou beholdest Calvary, Christ on his cross, the crowd around, the blessed Mother and St. John as depicted in sacred pictures. Similarly, if thou meditatest upon death, figure thyself as thou wilt be when laid out by pious hands in preparation for the grave. In such representation thou must not tarry long, only till thou art moved to love, sorrow, or penitence ; and if the material of the meditation be such that there be no surroundings to picture, thou mayst pass immediately to the—

III. *Consideration*.* This is an operation of the intellect, by which thou must dwell upon all the points contained in each division of thy subject—with the desire of drawing spiritual fruit from thence. For example, if thou meditatest on the Passion, thou must consider (1) Who it is that suffers—the Lord of heaven and earth :

* The Consideration and Colloquy are often so mingled, as in some of the following meditations, that it is not easy nor indeed desirable to distinguish them in point of time.

(2) For whom he suffers—for thee, a vile and ungrateful creature: (3) For what cause—that he may deliver thee from damnation. On each of these points thou wilt dwell, until thy soul be moved (1) to awe, (2) to wonder, (3) to gratitude, and (4) to love.

IV. *Colloquy, or Petition.* When thou hast thoroughly meditated on that which is contained in each point, and hast moved thyself to love, sorrow, or other affection, it will easily occur to thee what fruit thou shouldst draw from this meditation. Ordinarily thou mayst seek from God greater light to know thyself; or the remission of sin; or sorrow for the same; or calmness of spirit amidst the world's distraction; progress in wisdom and understanding; and finally the especial graces thou chiefly needest.

Concerning Helps to Meditating Profitably

1. The first is a fitting place, remote from noise and distraction, the better if the light be obscure.

2. A fixed and certain time, which without just cause should never be infringed upon. The hour most apt is in the early morn, before the duties of the day begin. It should occupy, if possible, half an hour, certainly not less than a quarter of an hour.*

3. A modest and devout position of body, as on bended knees. If, however, this wearies thee, stand, but so that thou mayst return again to thy former position. It is becoming also, after the example of Christ (*St. Mark* xiv. 35), if moved by the consideration of thy subject, to meditate with thy body prostrate on the earth for a brief space. But let that position be assumed which is found most profitable for attention and devotion.

4. If in any point thou feelest that thou art vehemently moved in spirit, do not pass at once to another, but delay therein some time until thou

* Convenit autem in meditatione expendi integram horam, vel certe mediam.—*Busaeus.*

hast satisfied thy spiritual appetite ; and, if the time thou hast to give to meditation has expired before thou hast completed thy subject, be not anxious to pass to the other points, but dwell upon that in which thou hast felt spiritual savour. Thou mayst pursue it on the next occasion, and complete the consideration of the subject. The Colloquy, or Petition, will probably be varied.

5. Since the power of a meditation is rather over the affection than the intellect, thou shouldst understand that the effect ought ordinarily to be so slight that it may be the longer continued, without strain upon the body.

6. But if God sometimes sends to thee vehement affection of the spirit, e.g., so that tears flow, humbly receive it as from him, and continue so long as God gives grace. But this ought not to be of frequent occurrence, at least not of thine own will, lest the body suffer. But this affection profits much in certain cases. (i) In a general confession, exciting to perfect contrition : (ii) In grave temptation : (iii) After seasons of spiritual coldness and depression : (iv) Before any great undertaking to the glory of God.

7. But if it happen to thee, whilst thou meditatest, to be deprived of all savour and solace, do not therefore despond. If it has happened by thy fault, because thou hast rushed unprepared into meditation, humble thyself, acknowledge thy fault, and serenity will follow. But if it be not thy fault, think it permitted by God, either that thou mayst learn savour and solace not to be of ourselves but of his gift, or that God may prove whether thou undertakest this duty from a pure love, or from a mere desire of spiritual consolation. So in time of desolation, say, ' I have not begun this meditation for my own solace, but from the pure love of God, which duty for his sake may I perfect and accomplish.'

8. But if thou art agitated by many distractions, do not therefore

break off thy meditation, but consider, if they come against thy will, that thou hast not sinned; only when thou perceivest thy mind to wander, recall thy thoughts, and resist the foe how often soever he return: for thy meditation shall not be on this account the less pleasing to Almighty God, than if thou hadst accomplished it with great devotion. It profits in this kind of fight, to leap at once to the colloquy, and submissively to acknowledge that thou hast no power of thine own; or to accuse thine own slothfulness, and forthwith thou shalt find aid divine.

9. Finally, it avails not little to fruitful meditation, if thou rememberest that God is ever present in all thy actions: if frequently through the day thou usest ejaculatory prayer, if often thou readest spiritual books, if frequently with pure conscience thou celebratest the Divine Mysteries; if thou restrainest thine external senses, especially the temper; if thou lovest the exercise of charity, and good works; if thou turnest the good thoughts and resolutions of meditation into deeds of love and devotion.

A Brief Preparation for Meditation

1. *Place thyself in God's Presence by an act of faith and adoration.*

✝ O MY God, I firmly believe that thou art here present, that thou knowest the most secret thoughts of my heart, and the inmost desires of my soul. I confess that I am unworthy to raise my eyes to thee, yet I beseech thee, for the sake of thy dear Son, to grant me the aid of thine Holy Spirit, that the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, may always be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

2. *Say the Confiteor humbly, to cleanse the heart from sin, since that is the great obstacle to communion with God.*

3. *Implore the aid of the Holy Ghost.*

Veni, Sancte Spiritus

VENI, Sancte Spiritus,
Et emitte coelitus
Lucis tuae radium.
Veni, pater pauperum,
Veni, dator munerum,
Veni, lumen cordium.

Consolator optime,
Dulcis hospes animae,
Dulce refrigerium.
In labore requies,
In aestu temperies,
In fletu solatium.

O Lux beatissima,
Reple cordis intima
Tuorum fidelium.
Sine tuo numine
Nihil est in homine,
Nihil est innoxium.

Lava quod est sordidum,
Riga quod est aridum,
Sana quod est saucium.
Flecte quod est rigidum,
Fove quod est frigidum,
Rege quod est devium.

Da tuis fidelibus
In te confidentibus
Sacrum septenarium.
Da virtutis meritum,
Da salutis exitum,
Da perenne gaudium.
Amen.

COME, thou holy Paraclete,
And from thy celestial seat
Send thy light and brilliancy :
Father of the poor, draw near ;
Giver of all gifts, be here ;
Come, the soul's true radiancy :

Come, of comforters the best,
Of the soul the sweetest guest,
Come in toil refreshingly :
Thou in labour rest most sweet,
Thou art shadow from the heat,
Comfort in adversity.

O thou Light, most pure and blest,
Shine within the inmost breast
Of thy faithful company.
Where thou art not, man hath nought
Every holy deed and thought
Comes from thy divinity.

What is soilèd, make thou pure ;
What is wounded, work its cure ;
What is parchèd, fructify ;
What is rigid, gently bend ;
What is frozen, warmly tend ;
Strengthen what goes erringly.

Fill thy faithful, who confide
In thy power to guard and guide,
With thy sevenfold Mystery.
Here thy grace and virtue send :
Grant salvation in the end,
And in heaven felicity.
Amen.

Representation : Consideration : Colloquy.

Anima Christi (p. 575).

OUR Father.

I BELIEVE in God.

Suscipe, Domine.

TAKE, O Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and all my will, all I have and possess. Thou hast given all to me; to thee, O Lord, I restore it : all is thine,

dispose of it entirely according to thy will. Give me thy love and thy grace, for this is enough for me.

*Examples will now be given of the mode of meditating on passages of Scripture.**

I. The Last Judgement

'When the Son of Man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory.'

I. *Representation.*—Behold him as thy Judge, my soul, who has been thy Advocate with the Father, him whom they pierced on the cross, him whom thou hast pierced by thy sins. All nations are gathered before him, the righteous as sheep on the right hand, the sinners as goats on the left. In those what joy is diffused; amongst these what terror. Who are the former? They who, like sheep, amidst great tribulation, have followed the voice of their Shepherd. Who are the latter? They who, like goats, have followed their own hearts' lusts. O my God, crucify in me the flesh here, that I may be found then at thy right hand.

II. *Consideration.*—'*Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.*' Firstly, he calls the good to their eternal reward, before he condemns the wicked; for he is ever more ready to spare than to punish. Of his own free will he spares, according to his mercy, but the death of the wicked is of themselves! for he hath said, '*As I live, I desire not the death of the wicked.*' Wouldst thou hear that most sweet invitation? Thou must live in his fear now, and bring forth worthy fruits of his grace. Hear his words: '*I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; sick and in prison, and ye visited me.*' Whatsoever thou shalt do, my soul, for love of him, to the least of his

* To those needing help in meditation are recommended *Vita et doctrina Jesu Christi* by Avancini (Paris: Lecoffre), and Bishop Challoner's *Meditations for every Day in the Year.*

brethren, he counteth it done unto him. Love is the fulfilment of the law. Know that thou hast passed from death unto life, if thou lovest the brethren.

III. '*Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.*' What words of divine wrath to the sinner, 'Depart from me!' To want God for ever; to thirst for him with the knowledge, now revealed, of his beauty, yet ever to thirst in vain! In eternal fire, which shall never be quenched, prepared by God indeed for the devil, but by the wicked for themselves! And wherefore? Because they neither loved God nor their neighbour, gave neither food to the hungry, nor drink to the thirsty, but lived for themselves, even as Dives in the parable.

Colloquy.—O my God, here purify me with the fire of thy love; here chasten me as a son; but in the long hereafter, spare thy servant, who putteth his trust in thee. Amen.

II. Christmas

'Let us now go even unto Bethlehem.'

I. Represent to thyself, O my soul, the stable at Bethlehem on the first Christmas night. It is just after midnight; there is silence around; the very earth seems hushed; the ox and the ass stand motionless; Joseph and Mary, with clasped hands, gaze upon that manger. Gaze with them.

II. It is a little Infant, and that Infant is Almighty God: those little lips will speak the doom of mankind. This is the eternal Son—one with the Father and the Holy Ghost. This is he by whom the world was framed.

III. Consider him as revealed to the angels: as it is written, '*Let all the angels of God worship him.*' They, the firstborn of God, stand in speechless wonder as they behold his poverty, his patient endurance of earthly ill. Yet not for them but for thee does Christ endure the narrow and hard manger; born without the gate, he

shall die without it, bearing thy reproach. O my soul, learn humility from Bethlehem.

IV. Consider him as revealed to the shepherds, simple men and humble, guarding their flocks, and ready to receive the divine message, even as thou, guarding the gifts and graces entrusted to thee by God, from the roaring lion, even Satan, mayst learn the meaning of those words, '*Blessed is that servant whom his Lord, when he cometh, shall find so doing.*'

Colloquy.—Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and gaze with the shepherds.

See how the Godhead is hidden in the manhood : so pray that thy life may be hid with him in God.

See how he lies in the narrow and hard manger : so pray that thou mayst run in the narrow and straight path of his commandments.

See how he is rejected of men in his birth ; so be thou content to bear shame for his dear Name.

O Jesu, Babe of Bethlehem, I adore thee.

III. Epiphany

Gospel of the Day.

I. *Representation.*—Draw a mental picture of the wise men, gazing at the stars, the appearance of the Star of Bethlehem, the journey across the desert, the arrival at Jerusalem, the inquiries there, the arrival at Bethlehem, the adoration.

II. *Consideration.*—Not only three, but perchance many others saw this star ; only these three followed, '*Many are called, few chosen.*' What lights of divine inspiration hath God sent thee ? — how far hast thou followed ? Grieve, fear, pray, and study to '*make thy calling and election sure.*'

'*We have seen*'— that they might see, God gave the star : because they came, he added more : '*grace for grace.*' '*See that thou receive not the grace of God in vain.*'

'*And have come.*' Between the sight and the coming nothing is allowed to interpose : they obeyed God immediately, not drawn back by the example of so many, whom

the cares of home, the affection of friends, their goods and chattels, retain in their own land. Learn not to procrastinate — '*Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus.*'

They are not ignorant of the dangers and toils of the way—perchance they even exaggerate them in their minds, yet they come —this spirit of ghostly strength is ever essential to those who would come to Jesus :—for they will never want their foes—temporal and spiritual ; the way will still be straight, the gate narrow. They undertake the journey—called whither they know not, they commit themselves to God. '*Commit thy way unto him, and he shall direct thy path.*' That fidelity merited the guiding star, for within them shone yet a clearer light—'*The Sun of Righteousness, with healing in his wings.*'

Where the path of duty calls thee, go forward, blindly if necessary ; trust him ; he who gives the will, will give the power.

Consider the journey with that star guiding them—what desire ! and what thanks to God the Guider ! what patience in adversity !

Be ashamed, O my soul, that thou with such light, such knowledge, shouldst care so little for him, thank him so little, love him so little, be so impatient in adversity.

Consider, where do they find him ? not in Herod's palace, but in a stable ! surrounded but by poor and lowly parents. They abhor not the filth of that stable, the poverty of those parents, the infirmity of that Child ; but, enlightened from above, they acknowledge him as God.

III. *Colloquy.*— O my soul, pray for such living faith—when in his sacramental presence thy faith faileth, think of those who refused not to acknowledge the poor Infant, cradled in a manger, as God ; '*Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself.*' Shepherd of the faithful ! Jesus, hear my cry. Lord, increase my faith.

They present unto him gold, for he is a King; so learn to honour him with thy worldly substance, to know that he is thy King, and that all that thou hast is his.

They present unto him frankincense, for he is God, and incense befits the worship of God. See that thou render him the sweet incense of prayer and adoration. '*Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense*,' and let my evening sacrifice be the oblation of my soul and body in thy service.

They present unto him myrrh, for he is man and must die. Thank him, O my soul, for his sufferings for thee. Consider that thy sufferings may be hallowed by union with his most precious woes, and pray for grace to bear all for him. So shall '*thy light affliction, which is but for a moment, work for thee a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.*'

IV. Lent

'And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred.'

I. *Representation.*—Behold, my soul, thy Lord in the wilderness. Around him stretches one unbroken waste of sand; there is no earthly aid near; the prowling beasts of the desert are his only companions. For forty days he has endured the mortification of the flesh through his divine power, and now he hungers. The apostate angel is near, Lucifer, son of the morning. He speaks:

II. *Consideration and Colloquy.*—'*Command that these stones be made bread.*' Could there be harm in thus using his power? My soul, he never used his miraculous power for himself, only for thee; and now he would teach thee, in all thy necessities, to depend simply upon thine heavenly Father. So he would teach thee to deny the cravings of the flesh, to mortify thy desires, whilst thou dependest upon the aid of God. Hear his reply: '*Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.*' O God, grant me entire dependence upon thee. Thou hast provided, and thou wilt provide. Teach

me, O Lord, to mortify all the desires of my flesh, which lusteth against the spirit.

III. *'If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down.'* The fallen angel places him on the pinnacle of the Temple; the multitude of worshippers throng the courts: surely, if he now descends unharmed amongst them, they will own him as the Messiah. Again he conquers, for the temptation was to yield to pride and impatience,—to presume upon a promise which only assures us of protection in the ways wherein we should walk. Learn, my soul, to await God's time, not to tempt him by presumption: to be content to be lowly here, that he may exalt thee in due time. Pray for humility.

IV. *'All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.'* Again the scene changes, and the devil places him on the high mountain, that he may see all the glory of this world, and promises to give it to him if he will but worship him; as if the kingdoms of this world could thus become *'the kingdoms of the Lord and of his Christ.'* Once more the fiend is foiled—the temptation of the world overcome. *'It is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God.' 'Get thee hence, Satan.'*

O Lord Jesus, glorious Conqueror of sin and death, thou who wast tempted, help me thus to conquer the world, the flesh, and the devil. For what shall it profit me to gain the whole world, and lose my own soul? But help me, O Lord, who didst say to thine apostles, *'Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.'*

V. **Palm Sunday**

'And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it.'

I. *Representation.*—Our Lord and his disciples are descending the slope of the Mount of Olives; the valley traversed by the brook Cedron lies beneath; and Jerusalem, in all its beauty, with the Temple in the foreground, crowns the opposite hill. The multitude throng before them, bearing branches of

palm and olive, rending the air with the cry, '*Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord : Hosanna in the Highest.*'

II. *Consideration and Colloquy.*—'*And seeing the city, he wept over it.*' Why does he weep amidst the applause of the multitude? He sees Jerusalem, and sees it as a figure of the whole world. He sees all sins, even thine, my soul. He sees the fruit of his passion wasted upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem —a type, alas ! of multitudes, because they will not be saved. He could, as God, save absolutely, but he wills that we should co-operate with his grace. We shall perish if we use it not. Without thine own will, the grace of God will not remain with thee.

III. '*If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day.*' He indicates the cause of his weeping, the blindness of those who know not in him the promised Messiah, from which root of ignorance springs envy, hatred, and every evil. Thus the devil labours that he may cast blindness upon our hearts, so that we may not know the goodness and long-suffering of God, which continually lead us to repentance, or the evil of sin which destroys the soul. Labour, therefore, while it is yet *thy* day, O my soul, '*for the night cometh wherein no man can work.*'

IV. '*For the days shall come upon thee that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee.*' He predicts the future destruction of the guilty city by the Romans, on account of their sins against him. Sin is the source of suffering, and the cause of the wrath of an angry God. In these words, O my soul, see a figure of the misery of a death-bed which closes a wasted life. The enemy, even the evil one, will cast a trench around, closing up each avenue which might lead to repentance, blinding and darkening sight, and stupefying the spiritual senses, cutting off all supplies of grace, until the city, even the soul of man, falls beneath his repeated assaults, and that because it knew not the time of its visitation. '*So*

teach us to number our days, that we may incline our hearts unto wisdom.'

VI. Good Friday

'But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came thereout blood and water.'

I. Represent to thyself, my soul, the body of thy crucified Redeemer hanging upon the cross; pain and grief have done their worst; his sacred Heart has broken beneath the weight of thy sins; the soldiers approach; one of them pierces his side, and lo, blood and water flow from that sacred fountain.

II. *Consideration.* — When Adam lay in sleep, Eve was formed from his side; when the Redeemer slept the sleep of death, the Church, his Bride, derived from his sacred side the principle of her life. For that water prefigured the water of Baptism whereby we are newborn in him; that blood the chalice which is his blood of the new testament, shed for many for the remission of sins.

O my soul, consider the *price* of thy salvation; thou hast been born anew through that water, thou hast been nourished by that blood; consider the cost, mark well the price, for as thou gazest on those wounds thou mayst well say, Here my pride pierced, here my anger, here my hatred, here my envy, here my gluttony, here my lust, here my sloth. Wilt thou not avenge thyself on his murderers, thy sins? — every thorn in that wreath is as one of thy little sins, as thou callest them. He cries: *'I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands'*: forget not the friendship of thy surety, for he hath given his life for thee.

O my soul, consider the wounds of him that suffereth, the death of him that dieth, the price of thy redemption. His head inclines in death as if to greet thee; his hands are spread out as if to embrace thee; he pleads *for* thee and *with* thee, 'Return, O child of my love — blood-bought — ransomed from hell and death — return, oh return! Child of my tears and blood, wilt

thou permit thy days to glide on in vain delight, in empty joys, far from the cross, that safeguard of thy soul ? '

Look at that wounded, mangled body, the price of thy salvation ; look at that forehead, pierced by the thorns ; look at that back, livid with stripes ; look at those pierced feet, those pierced hands ; see from the crown of the head to the sole of the feet there is no whole part. Every nerve has thrilled with agony for thee : for thee who hast crucified him by thy sins.

III. *Colloquy*.—O Jesus crucified ! may thine be the reparation of adoring love. O eyes that wept over Jerusalem ! be yours the reparation of beholding *the redeemed of the Lord, coming with songs of joy to Sion*. O holy lips ! yours already the sweet reparation of power as man to pardon man. O mighty hands ! yours the reparation of bestowing countless blessings. O adorable feet ! yours the reparation of the worship of all who tread the way of life.

O Heart of Jesu ! be thine the reparation of the salvation of the great multitude, which none can number, out of every kindred and tongue and people who raise the song for evermore—

' Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing for evermore.'

VII. St. Mary Magdalene (Easter)

' Now when Jesus was risen early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene.'

Consider, my soul, to whom our Lord first appeared. Why was this happy woman selected for so signal a favour ?

Representation.—I. Let us picture three scenes in her life. Our Lord has just spoken the touching words, ' Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest,' spoken them on the coast of Gennesaret, hard by Magdala, where in state and pomp dwelt a grievous sinner, reputed to be

the mistress of Herod. These words penetrate her ears as she listens afar off : she draws near : Simon the Pharisee invites, with great condescension, the 'carpenter's son' to dine at his house, but treats him with studied discourtesy ; they watch him : Mary of Magdala appears at the door : they look upon it as a good opportunity to test his prophetical power : for, if he be a prophet, he will not permit himself, they think, to be defiled by the polluting touch of a sinner : they know not that he is the very Fountain opened in Sion for sin and for uncleanness : she enters, they gather up their garments from the contagion of her touch as she passes, but he opposes not ; her tears, from fountains long since dry, flow over his sacred feet : with her long hair, her pride and adornment, she dries them : while the self-righteous Pharisees deride, our Lord utters the absolving words, *'Her sins, which are many, are forgiven ; for she loved much.'*

II. It is noonday, and yet it is dark ; through the gloom we indistinctly trace the cross, whereon the Price of our salvation hangs, while the quaking earth and the rending tomb proclaim the death of the Son of God. Who is privileged to stand beneath, and give him the tribute of human sympathy now ? There are three ; and one is Mary Magdalene, the forgiven sinner. She has heard the sound of the hammers which drove the nails through his sacred flesh, her sins drove them there : She sees the blood, her ransom, flow down the sacred Tree : 'Earth and stars and sky and ocean by that flood from stain are freed.' Ah, my soul thy sins are there. Thou wast his Pilate and his Herod. Weep with Magdalene, in this his hour of anguish, mercy, and love.

III. It is Easter morning, and three Marys come early to the tomb ; the angel is yet earlier with his news of comfort. Two return to the city, but one remains with love that cannot suffer her to de

part; and so she gains a joy past joy—the first to hear his most gracious voice: 'Mary.' And had not this been recorded, could we have believed it? First surely to his blessed Mother, to St. John; but to the sinner! Ah! thus he shews his love to penitents, his love to thee, who hast crucified him by thy sins.

Colloquy.—I. O my soul, hast thou repented, like Mary, from the pure love of God, unmixed with other motives, not for the slavish fear of hell, not with the hope of gaining heaven, but all for Jesus?

II. O my soul, dost thou abide beneath the cross in spirit, beneath his wounded side? There alone no angry foe can come; there is the Heart filled with divine love which wept, and broke, for thee.

III. O my soul, if thus thou hast repented, if thus thou hast watched; on the great Easter Day, yet to come, when as in Adam all die so in Christ shall all be made alive, thou shalt hear his most joyful voice, *Come, blessed children of my Father.*

VIII. **Ascension Day**

'While they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.'

I. Represent to thyself, O my soul, the apostles with the Virgin Mother, attending the steps of their Lord and Master to Mount Olivet. There is something in his manner, perhaps, which tells them it is the last time they shall thus accompany him. They arrive at the summit, and he speaks his last words. Inhospitable as this world has been, they are yet words of blessing; and while he yet blesses them, they see that his feet have left the earth; he ascends far above them; they gaze with awestruck eyes, until that holy form becomes a mere speck in the dim distance, and a cloud at last veils him from their earthly sight.

II. Consider, my soul, what must have been the emotion of the apostles as they followed Christ; joy, dimmed by the approaching loss of that bodily personal presence, so long vouchsafed to them. Remember that on

Mount Olivet he foretold his passion, and thence learn that suffering is the path to glory; lifting up his hands he blessed them, as if he should again say, '*Holy Father, keep through thine own Name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one as we are.*' The blessing of Christ gives the grace for which he prays. O my Saviour, bless thou me, even me, with heavenly blessing, not with the fleeting joys of earth, which can never satisfy a soul formed for thyself. *And while he blessed them, he was parted from them.* Ah, his last words are those of blessing, as our heavenly Enoch ascends, as our great High Priest, with our names upon his breast, and enters within the veil, there to prepare a place for us. '*In my Father's house are many mansions; I go to prepare a place for you.*' With what sentiments of love and awe do his apostles gaze. '*Draw me, we will run after thee.*' Slowly he ascends as unwilling to withdraw himself from their gaze. Gaze with them, O my soul.

III. '*And a cloud received him out of their sight.*' A wondrous chariot. *He maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.* From God that cloud, which the eye of faith may pierce: God places a limit to our intellect, while we see *as through a glass darkly*, that we may not anticipate the day when we shall see *face to face, and know as we are known*; lest, rapt in ecstasy, we should be unfitted for our earthly duties; or because we walk by *faith, not by sight*, and hence may exercise that faith the better. But see that there be no clouds of passion, of earthly affection, which may veil God from thy sight, O my soul. '*Awake, O north wind; and come thou south, and breathe upon my garden, that my Beloved may enter therein and gather the precious fruits.*'

IV. Yet we may follow him as revealed in prophecy by the Psalmist—Hark, the attendant angels sing—'*Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting*

doors, and the King of glory shall come in.' From within they who stand upon the heavenly battlements cry, *'Who is the King of glory?'* Listen to the adoring reply borne on the lips of ten thousand times ten thousand: *'Even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.'*

Colloquy.—Set thine affection on things above, not on things below; for thou art dead, and thy life is hid with Christ in God. O my soul, where thy treasure is, there shall thy heart be also.

IX. **Whitsuntide**

The two Dispensations.

'The law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.'

Representation.—Picture to thyself, O my soul:

I. The assembled multitude of the children of Israel gathered beneath Sinai; the mount which burned with fire; the blackness of darkness; the sound of a trumpet exceeding loud. *'He maketh darkness his secret place: and thick clouds to cover him'*; the awestruck multitude; the limits which none can pass; the prophet alone with God.

II. The upper chamber at the third hour; the twelve; the mighty rushing wind; the tongues of fire which gently light on each head. The supernatural results; the multitude; the gift of tongues; the three thousand converted.

Consideration.—My soul, thou art *'not under the law, but under grace.' Thou hast not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire: but unto Mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels; to the church of the first-born; to God, the Judge of all; and to the spirits of just men made perfect; and to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.*

The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Spirit which he hath given us. Behold how it inspired the apostles to overcome the fear of death and torment, to count all things as dross, that they might bring souls to

Christ. Is this zeal for the glory of God in thee? Dost thou long to save souls? Art thou careful of thine own? Alas, how easily dejected! how often cast down!

Consider, my soul, whose temple thou art, who dwelleth within thee. What if a tongue of fire rested visibly over thee; what if it burned brightly when thou wert filled with the Spirit; dimly when thou faintest in the strife. Oh, how wouldest thou struggle, lest the Light should be quenched; that it might proclaim thee the true servant of God.

'*And the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.*' Learn to seize every opportunity of doing thy Master's work: how many hast thou already lost? '*Be filled with the Spirit.*' With all thy heart strive to bring souls to God. Thyself converted, strengthen thy brethren; which thou shalt do, if the fire of divine love burn within thee.

Veni, Creator Spiritus, imple superna gratia quae tu creasti pectora.

X. All Saints' Day

'After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number,' etc.

Represent to thyself, my soul, this glorious band. Who are these clothed in white robes, bearing palms in their hands? Whence came they?

I. '*These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb,*' through which alone thy sins can be washed away. There is the once sinful Magdalene, there the penitent thief; there mayst thou be, though vile and unclean, if thou but lavest thyself in that fountain for sin and uncleanness—the precious blood. Like thee they did groan, being burdened with a body of sin and death; like thee they had the means of grace, which are the inheritance of the children of God here below, and through their use they were brought to heavenly glory; like thee they were weak and infirm, compassed about with temptations; but the grace o

God, which was bestowed upon them, was not in vain. Use the grace bestowed upon thee, my soul; their God is yet thy God.

II. *Consideration.* — '*These are they which came out of great tribulation.*' Suffering is the path to glory. If we suffer with him, like those of whom the world was not worthy, we shall also reign with him, when God shall wipe away all tears from the eyes of his people; and the light affliction, which is but for a moment, shall have worked a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. Wherefore, my soul, bear with courage the burden laid upon thee, breast manfully the waves of this life's tempestuous sea; and when the eternal shore is gained, who will count the billows past?

'*And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.*'

Consider, lastly, my soul, those who have accomplished their earthly warfare, and who, purified through suffering, have entered upon their eternal rest. They are amongst this happy multitude; once they suffered like thee, but they bore their sufferings for his sake; once they sinned like thee, but they repented, and their robes were washed in blood; they were ever tempted and tried while life lasted; and now it is over, and the eternal rest gained.

'*Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.*'

III. *Colloquy.* — O ye saints of God, who have passed the waves of this troublesome world, and attained the port of Paradise, the harbour of everlasting felicity; who living in the flesh have so pleased God, that ye now reign with him; from the Rock ye behold us struggling yet in the sea, contending with storm and tempest, in peril of shipwreck. O may we be aided

by your prayers until we attain the shore. Your faith is lost in sight, your hope in fruition, but your love faileth never; let that love find its exercise in availing prayer, that we may attain your happy company, and praise God with you for evermore.

Half an hour of Prayer

Give five minutes to each point.

ARDOR.

Adoration :

Adore God in himself : omniscient : omnipotent ; ubiquitous : eternal : ever active : ever at rest.

The Father : the Son : the Holy Ghost.

Jesus in the holy Sacrament.

Reparation :

Desire to make reparation

For your own sins: known; unknown; remembered; forgotten.

Sins of thought, word, deed, omission.

For the sins of your parish.

For the sins of the world.

Devotion :

Offer yourself to God.

Your past : present : future.

Your body : soul : mind : will.

Your opportunities : capacities : plans.

Orison :

Pray for all for whom you are bound to pray.

Your relations, friends ; your flock, penitents, all to whom you minister.

That you may be to them all that God means you to be.

For the Church : for the unity of Christendom : for the Missions : for the revival of the religious life.

For the dead : for all whom you have known and loved : for all to whom you have ministered : for all whom you have buried.

Resolution :

End with a resolve : e.g. I will try to-day to remember the Presence of God.

SECTION VII

Devotions for use in Sickness

O Anima Christiana, respice vulnera patientis, sanguinem morientis, pretium redemptionis. Haec quanta sint cogitate et in statera mentis vestrae appendite, ut totus nobis figatur in corde, qui pro nobis totus fixus est in cruce.

Nam, si passio Christi ad memoriam revocetur, nihil est tam durum, quod non aequo animo toleretur.

St. Augustinus.

Instruction for the Sick

From Bishop Challoner's 'Manual of Prayers.'

Whensoever God shall please to visit thee with Sickness, thou oughtest with much Diligence to prepare thyself to die well: Discharge thy Heart of the Cares of this world: Receive devoutly the Sacraments of the Church, and earnestly recommend thy Soul to God that thou mayest obtain Strength to go thro' with thy Journey.

Remember the Passion of our sweet Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ: Embrace in thy Heart his holy Cross, kiss his sacred Feet and hide thyself in his blessed Wounds; that thou may'st be safe, and happily escape all the Snares and Enticements of the Devil, humbly beseeching our Saviour Jesus Christ to vouchsafe to wash thy Soul with his precious Blood and entirely pardon all thy Sins.

And because of the Unprofitableness and Imperfection of thy own Life, offer to God the Father the Merits of Jesus Christ, his most holy Incarnation, Death and Passion.

Recommend thyself to our blessed Lady, the glorious Virgin, Mother of God, and to the other Citizens of Heaven and . . . if thou art truly sorry for thy sins . . . they will obtain of God for thee such Graces as shall be necessary for thee in this dangerous Passage.

DEVOTIONS FOR USE IN SICKNESS

Ant. O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us: Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

PSALM LXXI

In te, Domine, speravi.

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me, in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

2 Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort: thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my house of defence, and my castle.

3 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly: out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

4 For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for: thou art my hope, even from my youth.

5 Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born: thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.

6 I am become as it were a monster unto many: but my sure trust is in thee.

7 O let my mouth be filled with thy praise: that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

8 Cast me not away in the time of age: forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

9 For mine enemies speak against me, and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying: God hath forsaken him; persecute him, and take him, for there is none to deliver him.

10 Go not far from me,

O God : my God, haste thee to help me.

11 Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul : let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

12 As for me, I will patiently abide alway : and will praise thee more and more.

13 My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation : for I know no end thereof.

14 I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God : and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

15 Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now : therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

16 Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am grey-headed : until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

17 Thy righteousness, O God, is very high : and great things are they that thou hast done ; O God, who is like unto thee ?

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Ant. O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us : Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy upon me.
Christ, have mercy upon me.
Lord, have mercy upon me.

OUR Father.

℣. O Lord, save thy servant ;

℟. Which putteth his trust in thee.

℣. Send me help from thy holy place ;

℟. And evermore mightily defend me.

℣. Let the enemy have no advantage of me ;

℟. Nor the wicked approach to hurt me.

℣. Be unto me, O Lord, a strong tower ;

℟. From the face of the enemy.

℣. O Lord, hear my prayer ;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

O LORD, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve me thy servant. Look upon me with the eyes of thy mer-

cy, give me comfort and sure confidence in thee, defend me from the danger of the enemy, and keep me in perpetual peace and safety; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HEAR me, Almighty and most merciful God and Saviour; extend thy accustomed goodness to me, now grieved with sickness. Sanctify, I beseech thee, this thy fatherly correction to me; that the sense of my weakness may add strength to my faith, and seriousness to my repentance: that, if it shall be thy good pleasure to restore me to my former health, I may lead the residue of my life in thy fear, and to thy glory: or else, give me grace so to take thy visitation, that, after this painful life ended, I may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

An Act of Faith

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, etc.

IN this Faith, which as a member of Christ's holy Catholic Church I unfeignedly hold, do I desire and purpose to end my life, giving most humble and hearty thanks unto my loving Creator and Redeemer, that by his infinite goodness he hath vouchsafed to bring me to the knowledge of it, in the assurance of which I commend my soul and body into his most holy and merciful hands, now and at the hour of my death. Amen.

O GOD, in whose hand are the issues of life and death, who upholdest all things by the word of thy power, I desire to accept of death with meek submission, as the debt due to thy Divine Majesty on account of my sins.

I believe in thee, O blessed Trinity, Three Persons yet One God, and in all the truths which thou hast revealed.

I BELIEVE, O God, that thou didst send thy Son to die for me, a miserable sinner; that thou didst make me, in my baptism, a member of Christ, the child of God,

and an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven : that thou dost hear my prayers, and sanctify me by thy Holy Spirit ; that through thy mercy alone I can be saved. And therefore, O God, I praise thy Name ; in this Faith I would live, and in this Faith, by thy help, would die. And, O my God, trusting only in thee and thy grace, so freely bestowed upon me, I look for the pardon of my sins, through faith in thy dear Son : and for that eternal bliss which his merits and not my own have purchased. Therefore in thy strength I will live, so long as life lasts, to fight against the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to continue thy soldier and servant unto my life's end ; for thy sake forgiving all who have offended me, for thy sake cheerfully bearing all thou wouldest have me bear, even death itself, and those pains which accompany it ; so that, loving thee above all things, I may be with thee in Paradise. O Crucified Saviour, who, that I might die in thee, didst die upon the cross for me, suffer me not in my last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Remember, O Good Shepherd, that I am one of thy sheep, purchased by thy blood. O guide me through the valley of the shadow of death ; let thy rod and staff comfort me ; be with me when all earthly help shall fail ; suffer me not to be separated from thee ; forget not the ransom thou hast paid for me ; at my last hour receive me, and call me to thee ; hide me in thy wounds, wash me in thy blood, that, with thy saints, I may praise thee to all eternity. Amen.

A Protestation of Forgiveness to Others

I HUMBLY desire all and every one whom I have offended, kindly to forgive me. And, whereinsoever any have offended me, or done me any injury, I freely and heartily forgive them, even as I desire to be forgiven of God, and to be absolved from all my sins, for the merits of

my blessed Redeemer. Amen.

Act of Contrition

O MOST merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more; open thine eye of mercy upon me, thy servant, most earnestly desiring pardon and forgiveness. Renew in me, most loving Father, whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by my own carnal will and frailty; preserve and continue me in the unity of the Church; consider my contrition, accept my tears, assuage my pain, as shall seem to thee most expedient for me. And forasmuch as I put my full trust only in thy mercy, impute not unto me my former sins, but strengthen me with thy blessed Spirit; and, when thou art pleased to take me hence, take me into thy favour, through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Implore God's Mercy

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine indignation, neither chasten me in thy displeasure. Have mercy upon me, for I am weak. Thou knowest how frail I am, that I am but dust and ashes in thy sight; deal not with me, therefore, after my sins, neither reward me after my misdeeds, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. O most loving Saviour, receive me into thine arms in the hour of my distress, hide me in thy wounds, bathe my soul in thy most precious blood. Amen.

Anima Christi.

SOUL of Christ, sanctify me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesu, hear me;
Within thy wounds hide me;
Suffer me not to be separated from thee;

From the malicious enemy
defend me ;
In the hour of my death
call me ;
And bid me come to thee ;
That with thy saints I
may praise thee
For ever and ever. Amen.

It is said of that eminent saint of God, St. Augustine of Hippo, that in his last illness he caused the Penitential Psalms to be hung over his bed, and repeated them again and again with many tears. Should you be moved to do likewise you will find them on p. 214.

A Prayer for Recovery

O LORD God, who art the Physician of our souls and bodies ; who chastenest and again healest ; who didst hearken to Hezekiah in the affliction of his soul, in the hour of approaching death : who didst send thy Son Jesus Christ to heal our sicknesses and carry our sorrows ; for his dear sake, if it be thy blessed will, grant thy blessing on the means used for my recovery ; expel all pain, infirmity, and sickness from my body, and all the corruption and power of sin from my soul, that I may experience thy healing power and virtue, both in the body and in the spirit ; and, shouldest thou restore my bodily health, grant me to pass the years thou mayest give me to thy honour and glory, who art a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour ; and unto thee will I ascribe all the glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Before taking Medicine

GRANT thy blessing, O Lord, upon the means I am about to use for the recovery of my health, and restore me, if it be thy good pleasure ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Before Unction

O LORD God, who by thy holy Apostle St. James hast taught us that, if any be sick, he should send for the elders of the Church, who shall pray over him, anointing him with oil in thy most holy Name, and that the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and that if he hath any sins they shall be forgiven him ; Look down, O Lord, on me thine un-

worthy servant, and give me patience to support the pain and languor of my sickness, strength to resist all the temptations of the enemy, the pardon of all my sins, and that true light by which I may be conducted through the shadow of death to eternal happiness; or, if my recovery be expedient for thy glory, let this be the means of affecting it. I would receive this holy rite, O Lord, with a stedfast faith that thou wilt not forsake me in my distress, but wilt defend me from all evil, and prepare my soul for a happy departure.

By this anointing, O God, and the power of thy grace, forgive me all my sins, and convert my heart wholly to thee, that I may receive death with humble resignation as the wages of my offences, and so enter into thine eternal rest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After Unction

O LORD God, by thee have I been created, redeemed, and sanctified. Thou hast preserved me from manifold dangers, hast nourished me with the blessed sacrament of thy body and blood, and suffered me to be hallowed by that holy anointing which thou hast commended to us in thy holy word. For these and all other blessings I would thank and praise thee with my whole heart. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Receive me, blessed Saviour, into those loving arms which were extended on the cross for my redemption. Thou knowest what is best for me; therefore suffer me not to murmur, but grant me patience to bear whatever thou seest fit to inflict. Let me receive it, O Lord, as coming from thy gracious hand, with an entire acquiescence in thy will.

Grant me to die the death of the righteous, and, as thou wast thyself anointed for thy burial, so grant that my vile body, losing all its stains and sins in the grave, may also arise after the pattern of thy glorified body, there to see and enjoy thee for

ever, in the company of the blessed. Amen.

LET thy holy angel, O God, receive my soul from its prison of clay, and carry it to the region of loving and obedient souls in the bosom of Jesus, there with joy and longing, with assured hope and peaceful charity, to expect the resurrection of the just, and the day of righteous retribution. Amen.

BLESSED Jesu, say unto my soul, 'This day shalt thou be with me in Paradise'; say unto my soul, 'Fear not, for it is my Father's good pleasure to give thee the kingdom.' Let me dwell in safe and pleasant regions, be supported with the hope of God, rejoice in pardon, be refreshed with the visitation of angels, and walk in white, wherever thou, the Lamb, shalt go. Amen.

IN the midst of life we are in death; of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O Lord, who for our sins art justly displeased?

Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears to our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

For Space for Amendment

O LORD God of our salvation, who for our sake wast wounded, and didst die, and lie in the grave, and by thine own power didst rise again with victory and triumph, have mercy upon thy servant. Hide not thou thy face from me, but restore me to health of body. Give me space for amendment of life, and preserve me in the way of righteousness and so bless me with opportunities of doing the

service, that I may redeem the time past, and by thy grace become rich in good works; that when thou shalt require my soul it may not be abhorred of thee, nor suffer thy terrors, but may have an eternity of blessings in the resurrection of the just; for thine own sake, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, for ever and ever. Amen.

For Resignation

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, have pity upon me, who am grieved with sickness. Wean my soul, I beseech thee, and all my desires from the attractions of this world; pardon all my sins, and impart to me the grace and comfort of thy Holy Spirit, that, my fears being overcome, my sins forgiven, my desires rectified, as the hart pants after the springs of water, so my soul may long after thee, O God, and desire to enter into thy heavenly courts. Heavenly Father, if it be for thy glory and my spiritual good to have the days of my pilgrimage prolonged, I beg of thee life and health; but if this cup may not pass from me, thy will be done: my Saviour has drunk all the bitterness. I am in thy hands, O Lord: do with me as seemeth good in thine eyes. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff comfort me: I will lay me down in peace and take my rest; for it is thou, Lord, only, who shalt make me to dwell in everlasting safety, and to partake of the joys of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, eternal God, world without end. Amen.

Short Acts of Devotion for the Time of Sickness

1. Lord, I accept this sickness from thy hands, praying for strength to resign myself to thy blessed will. Not my will, but thine be done.

2. O Lord, rebuke me

not in thine indignation, neither chasten me in thy displeasure.

3. O thou who wast made perfect through sufferings, grant me strength to endure all that thou mayst see fit to send me, so that, enduring to the end, I may be saved.

4. I give thee thanks and praise for all that thou, O Lord, hast borne for me. O grant me patience to follow in the path thou hast trodden before me.

5 O most sweet Jesus, thou didst suffer, being innocent : shall I not suffer, being guilty ?

6. O thou who hast said, ' As many as I love I rebuke and chasten,' grant that in this chastisement I may be supported by thy love.

7. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend myself, as unto a faithful Creator and merciful Redeemer.

8. Behold, O Lord, I am the price of thy blood, of thy most precious blood ; I have done that whereby thou mayst condemn me ; thou hast not undone that whereby thou art wont to save.

9. Suffer not, O Lord, the soul to perish which thou hast so dearly bought.

10. Though thy temple, O Lord, in me hath been polluted through my frailty ; yet, O Lord, destroy it not, but hallow it anew.

11. Break not, O Lord, the bruised reed, quench not the smoking flax.

12. Grant that my light affliction, which is but for a moment, may work for me an exceeding weight of glory.

13. O Lord Jesus, fill me with thy love, that I may enter upon those joys which eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, but which thou hast prepared for them that love thee.

14. O sweet Jesus, receive me into thine arms in my distress ; wash my soul in thy blood ; create in me a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within me.

15. O Lord, for thy sake I forgive all who have ever offended me, as I hope to be forgiven by thee.

16. God be merciful to me a sinner.

17. Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness; according to the multitude of thy mercies, do away mine offences.

18. O that I had never offended so good a God! Would that I had always preserved my baptismal innocence! I renounce the world, the flesh, and the devil; I desire to renew my baptismal covenant, and to remain thy soldier and servant until my life's end.

19. I commend my soul to God the Father, who created me; to God the Son, who redeemed me; to God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me. Into thy hands I commend my spirit, for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

In Suffering

O LORD Jesus, accept my sufferings, which I desire to unite with thine; sanctify these afflictions to my soul, so that the pain of body I suffer may bring me nearer thee. O fill me with such love towards thee, that for thy sake I may rejoice to be conformed to thine image in suffering, and to be made like unto thee; come to my help, and fill me with that love which casteth out fear. Oh! how light are my sufferings compared with thine! and thou didst of thine own love bear all for me, a most miserable sinner. O Lord, help me: let me never be separated from thee; give me strength to bear all for thee. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR RECOVERY

Ant. The Lord saveth thy life from destruction, and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness.

PSALM CIII

Benedic, anima mea.

(p. 540.)

OUR Father.

O GRACIOUS Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, I praise and magnify thee that, in love to my soul, thou hast restored me again to health. Thou, O Lord, hast preserved my life from destruction, hast chastened and corrected me, but hast not given me over to death. Let the life thou hast thus graciously spared be altogether devoted to thee. Behold, O Lord, I am by thy mercy made whole; make me careful to sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto me. Enable me so to employ the time thou shalt allow me that, when the Judge shall appear, I may not be ashamed before him. O Lord, let thy late visitation constantly remind me to watch for my Master's coming; and, when the pleasures of sin shall seek to entice me, make me to remember how bitter they will prove at the last. Hear me, O Lord, and, as thou hast in much mercy afforded me time, so grant me also grace to work out my salvation, and provide oil in my lamp, that, when the Bridegroom cometh, I may go in with him to the marriage. Grant this, I beseech thee, for thy dear Son's sake. Amen.

Or this:

O MOST gracious God, who hast in thy great mercy raised me up from the gates of death, and

prolonged my days upon earth ; grant that I may devote the life which thou hast spared wholly to thy service ; let me never forget thy loving mercies ; grant me grace to keep all the resolutions I have made unto thee ; that so I may live as a faithful soldier of the cross and minister of thy gospel, until I receive the everlasting crown, which thou hast promised to all who love and serve thee, for thy dear Son's sake Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LITANY

FOR A HOLY DEATH AND MERCIFUL JUDGEMENT

O GOD the Father, of heaven, have mercy upon me a miserable sinner.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon me a miserable sinner.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, have mercy upon me a miserable sinner.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God, have mercy upon me a miserable sinner.

O thou who didst take upon thee our flesh, and didst become subject to suffering and sorrow,

Have mercy upon me.

Thou who didst raise the daughter of Jairus from the bed of death, the widow's son from the bier, Lazarus from the tomb,

Have mercy upon me.

Thou who didst bear our infirmities and heal our sicknesses,

Have mercy upon me.

Thou who didst become obedient to death, even the death of the cross,

Have mercy upon me.

Thou who didst first breathe into man the breath of life, and hast appointed the hour of my death,

Have mercy upon me.

I, thine unworthy servant, beseech thee, grant me that, dying unto sin here, I may live unto thee in heaven,

Good Jesu, hear me.

That, abiding thy faithful soldier and servant here, I may receive the crown hereafter,

Good Jesu, hear me.

That I may cheerfully submit to all the suffering of sickness and death, as the just penalty of my sin,

Good Jesu, hear me.

That thou wilt be with me in the dark valley of the shadow of death,

Good Jesu, hear me.

That thou wouldst not suffer me in my last hour for any pains of death to fall from thee,

Good Jesu, hear me.

That thou wouldst forgive me all my sins, and strengthen my fainting soul with the Bread of Life,

Good Jesu, hear me.

That thou wouldst enable me to close my eyes in thy faith and fear, in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life,

Good Jesu, hear me.

Deliver me, O Lord, in my last hour, as thou didst deliver Enoch and Elijah from the common doom,

So save and deliver me.

As thou didst deliver Noah from the flood,

So save and deliver me.

As thou didst deliver Job from his sufferings,

So save and deliver me.

As thou didst deliver Isaac from the uplifted knife,

So save and deliver me.

As thou didst deliver Lot from Sodom,

So save and deliver me.

As thou didst deliver the children of Israel from Pharaoh,

So save and deliver me.

As thou didst deliver Daniel from the den of lions,

So save and deliver me.

As thou didst deliver the three children from the burning fiery furnace,

So save and deliver me.

As thou hast ever delivered the souls of them who trust in thee,

So save and deliver me.

Deliver me, O God, on that tremendous day, when the heavens and the earth shall be removed, when thou shalt come to judge the world by fire,

Save and deliver me.

When the Judgement shall be set, and the books be opened; when the dead, small and great, stand before thee,

Save and deliver me.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy upon me.

O Lamb of God, that

takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy upon me.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Grant me thy peace.

OUR Father.

℣. Blessed are the dead,

℟. Which die in the Lord.

HEAR me, O Lord, and remember now the hour when thou didst commend thy blessed spirit into the hands of thy heavenly Father, when with a torn body and broken heart thou didst shew forth thy mercy and unspeakable loving-kindness towards us miserable sinners. I beseech thee, O thou brightness of the Father's glory, so to assist me by this thy most precious death, that being dead unto the world I may live only unto thee, and that at the last hour of my life thou mayest receive me into the arms of thy mercy, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

℣. Lord, hear my prayer;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

MAY the Lord of his mercy grant unto me, with all his faithful servants, eternal rest and peace. Amen.

LITANY FOR THE DYING

From Bishop Andrewes.

O GOD the Father, of heaven; have mercy upon *him*, keep and defend *him*.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon *him*, save and deliver *him*.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon *him*, strengthen and comfort *him*.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity: have mercy upon *him*.

Remember not, Lord, *his* offences, nor call to mind the offences of *his* forefathers; but spare *him*, Lord Jesu, spare thy servant whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with *him* for ever.

Spare *him*, good Lord.

From thy wrath and heavy indignation, O merciful Father; from the guilt and burden of *his* sins; from the dreadful sentence of the last judgement;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

From the sting and terror of conscience; from the danger of impatience, distrust, or despair; from the extremity of sickness, anguish, or agony, that may in any way withdraw *his* mind from thee;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

From the bitter pangs of eternal death; from the gates of hell; from the power of darkness; from the illusions and assaults of our ghostly enemy;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

By thy manifold and great mercies;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

By the manifold and great merits of Jesus Christ thy Son; by his Agony and bloody Sweat; by his strong crying and tears; by his bitter Cross

and Passion; by his mighty Resurrection; by his glorious Ascension; by his effectual and most acceptable intercession and mediation;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

By the graces and comforts of the Holy Ghost;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

For thy Name's sake; for the glory of thy Name; for thy loving mercy; for thy truth's sake; for thine own self;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

In this time of *his* utmost extremity; in *his* last and greatest need; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement;

Good Lord, deliver *him*.

Deliver *him*, O Lord; from all danger and distress, from all pains and punishments, both bodily and ghostly. Amen.

As thou didst deliver Noah from the flood;

So save and deliver *him*.

Lot from the fire of Sodom;

So save and deliver *him*.

Isaac from present death;

So save and deliver *him*.

Job from all his temptations;

So save and deliver *him*.

Moses from the hand of Pharaoh;

So save and deliver *him*.

Daniel from the lion's den;

So save and deliver *him*.

Jonah from the belly of the whale;

So save and deliver *him*.

And, as thou hast delivered thy blessed saints and servants from all their terrors;

So deliver *his* soul, and receive it to thy mercy.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to remember *him* with the favour thou bearest unto thy people, and so visit *him* with thy salvation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to save and deliver *his* soul from the power of the enemy; lest, as a lion, he devour it, and tear it in pieces, if there be none to help;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be merciful, and to forgive all *his* sins and misdeeds; which by the malice of the devil, or by

his own frailty, *he* hath at any time of *his* life committed against thee ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee not to lay to *his* charge what in concupiscence of the eye, pride of life, vanity or superfluity, *he* hath committed against thee ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee not to lay to *his* charge what in the fierceness of *his* wrath, or in the eagerness of an angry spirit, *he* hath committed against thee ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee not to lay to *his* charge what in vain and idle words, in the looseness and slipperiness of the tongue, *he* hath committed against thee ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to make *him* partaker of all thy mercies and promises in Christ Jesus ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to vouchsafe to *his* soul the estate of joy, bliss, and happiness, with all thy blessed saints in thy heavenly kingdom ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant *his* body rest and peace, and a part in the blessed resurrection of life and glory ;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy upon *him*.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy upon *him*.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

Grant *him* thy peace.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

Have mercy upon *him*.

Lord, have mercy upon *him*.

Christ, have mercy upon *him*.

Lord, have mercy upon *him*.

OUR Father.

O Lord, deal not with *him* after *his* sins;

Neither reward *him* according to *his* iniquities.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful; mercifully assist our prayers, which we make before thee, at such times specially when our greatest and most grievous extremities are ready to oppress us. And, O Lord, graciously hear us, that those evils, those illusions, terrors, and assaults, which thine or our enemy worketh against us, may be brought to nought, and by the providence of thy goodness may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being swallowed up with no temptations, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LITANY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

O GOD the Father, of heaven ; have mercy upon the souls of the faithful departed.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world ; have mercy upon the souls of the faithful departed.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son ; have mercy upon the souls of the faithful departed.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God ; have mercy upon the souls of the faithful departed.

O thou who hast the keys of hell and death, and art the Resurrection and the Life ;

Grant them eternal rest.

O thou who didst spare Magdalene, who didst pardon Peter though he denied thee, who didst hear the dying thief on the Cross ;

Grant them eternal rest.

O thou who didst bruise the serpent's head, who didst die for our sins, didst rise for our justification, and ever livest to make intercession for us ;

Grant them eternal rest.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation, by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision, by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation ;

Grant them eternal rest.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat, by thy Cross and Passion, by thy precious Death and Burial ;

Grant them eternal rest.

By thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension, and by the coming of the Holy Ghost ;

Grant them eternal rest.

We sinners beseech thee to hear us.

That thou wilt hasten the day when thou wilt admit these thy expectant servants to the Beatific Vision ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wilt hear the prayers and accept the alms of thy Church, and regard the sacrifice we present on their behalf at thine earthly altar ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldest crown their longing desires with fruition, and admit them into thy sanctuary, where nothing unclean can enter ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldest have mercy upon the souls of our fathers and ancestors, who have departed this life in thy faith and fear ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldest grant a place of refreshment, light, and peace, to the souls of our relations and friends, whom thou hast caused to depart in the hope of a blessed resurrection ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldest remember those who have left no name on earth, but yet form part of thy mystical body ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldest hasten the day when we, with all the faithful, shall receive our perfect consummation and bliss in thy eternal and everlasting glory ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

King of tremendous Majesty ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

Son of God ;

We beseech thee, hear us.

℣. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world ;

℟. Grant them rest.

℣. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world :

℟. Grant them rest.

℣. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world ;

℟. Grant them rest eternal.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy.

OUR Father.

℣. From the gates of hell ;

℟. Deliver their souls, O Lord.

℣. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord ;

℟. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

℣. Lord, hear my prayer ;

℟. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all live, we beseech thee to remember the spirits of all flesh who have departed this life in the hope of thy appearing, especially our parents, friends, kinsfolk, and benefactors. Grant them, O Lord, we beseech thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace, in the bosom of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, where all sighing and sadness are banished away, and the light of thy countenance shineth for ever. Amen.

Or this :

O GOD, by whom all things live, and through whom our bodies, destroyed by death, are to be changed into better : We most humbly beseech thee, command the souls of thy servants to be received by the hands of the holy angels, and brought unto their heavenly country : Pardon them mercifully all the sins they have committed ; that they may live with thee in eternal light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bp. Challoner.

HASTEN, O Lord, the day when thou shalt send him whom thou wilt send, at whose coming the heaven and earth shall be moved. Under the veil of earthly things we now behold him as through a glass darkly, but then shall we behold him face to face. In that day deliver us, and place us at his right hand. Amen.

℣. Deliver us, O Lord, in that tremendous day ;

℟. When thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

MAY the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SHORT FORMS FOR ADMINISTRATION OF SACRAMENTS

Baptism

I BAPTIZE thee in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Absolution

I ABSOLVE thee from all thy sins in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Unction

BY this holy anointing may the Lord forgive thee whatever thou hast done amiss. Amen.

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